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# MUSSOLINI DECREES ITALY'S FULL SOVEREIGNTY IN ETHIOPIA



Senator Manuel Quezon, President of the Philippine Islands, declined to be interviewed when he arrived in the Colony this morning by the s.s. President Coolidge. He will be returning to Manila to-morrow night by the s.s. President Jackson.

## SITUATION IN AUSTRIA

### SCHUSCHNIGG IN CONTROL

But Starhemberg Not Forgotten

### DOLLFUSS PROGRAMME TO BE CARRIED THROUGH

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL  
Vienna, To-day.

The general public, having somewhat recovered from the amazement which had seized it when yesterday morning it found out that there had been a Cabinet change overnight, has had time to consider the news and form an opinion as to what the news really means.

The outstanding fact, it is agreed, is that Prince von Starhemberg has left the Cabinet, the disarmament of the Home Guards now probably being an easy task.

### MISSING POPEYE STRIPS

Owing to a delay in mails the correct order of the popular Popeye strip, a daily feature of the China Mail, was not maintained last week. In order to allow readers to see how Popeye evaded the Black Ghost we are to-day publishing on Page 3 the six missing strips.

In the hands of Dr. von Schuschnigg, Chancellor, War Minister and Foreign Minister, surrounded by his followers, rests the entire power. The semi-official statement says that in this critical situation all forces must be united, in order to give the opportunity to carry through the Dollfuss programme. That this necessitated, so the semi-official statement continues, the withdrawal of Vice-Chancellor von Starhemberg does not diminish in the least the value, extraordinary and incontestable, of the services rendered to the Fatherland by Prince von Starhemberg to the New Austria, which is a grateful country and will not permit them to be forgotten. — Trans-Ocean Service. [Earlier Cable on Page 8]

### FORTHCOMING WEDDING

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Joseph Francis Rodrigues of No. 12, Sau Wa Fong, and Miss Enez Amonica Lau of the same address.

## BALDWIN RELIES ON REASON

### BRITAIN'S MEMBERSHIP OF LEAGUE

WHAT IT MEANS AND INVOLVES

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, devoted to foreign affairs the principal parts of a speech he delivered yesterday afternoon to a gathering of Conservative women in the Albert Hall. In a characteristic introduction he reminded his audience: "I am not a dictator. I have to rely on reason," and he went on to comment that one thing would strike the historian of the future, namely, that wherever you found in the world to-day the greatest measure of constitutional stability, there you found the most complete freedom of criticism of the Government.

Turning to the anxieties of recent months and the discussions in Parliament and in the country generally on foreign affairs and the League of Nations, Mr. Baldwin said that for the first time there had been a clear appreciation of what League membership meant and involved. That in itself was a good thing.

Reading the preamble of the League Covenant, the Prime Minister said: "Those objects are still the aim of our foreign policy, and if Europe is to be preserved they must be the aim of the foreign policy of all the nations." But a difficult question was to determine what were the best and most practical means of achieving those aims.

"What I have always said before this crisis I repeat now: if you find an instrument will not do what you want, it does not mean that your desire is impossible of achievement. What it does mean is that you and all those who have used that instrument without success must sit down and examine the instrument, modify it, strengthen it, alter it, embody in it if you can such changes as will make it effective for your purpose. I would say here that probably at the Assembly in the autumn the League members will have to consider what, if any, changes are necessary in the League, and I hope any changes that may be found helpful in inducing those nations which are outside the League to come into it — if any such changes can be seen to be feasible — I hope then, indeed, that they will be considered with all sincerity and with every desire to make the League at last what it was hoped to be at the beginning — an universal League."

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### HITLER RECEIVES SIR ERIC PHIPPS

Berlin, To-day.—Herr Hitler received the British Ambassador, Sir Eric Phipps, yesterday, in accordance with arrangements made last week for the presentation of the British questionnaire. — Trans-Ocean Service.

## Frank Murphy Visits Hong Kong On Way To U.S.

"I am making this trip to the United States on behalf of the Commonwealth Government of the Philippine Islands as there are several matters which concern both the U.S. Government and our Island friends, and there will probably be a conference in the 'fall' to discuss trade and economic problems," said Mr. Frank Murphy, United States High Commissioner in the Philippines, who arrived in the Colony this morning en route to America by the s.s. President Coolidge.

High Commissioner Murphy stated that one of the objects of

### Britannia Trophy For Jean Batten



London, to-day.—The Britannia Trophy, awarded annually by the Royal Aero Club for the most meritorious British performance in the air, has been awarded for 1935 to Miss Jean Batten, in recognition of her South Atlantic flight.—Reuter.

## SWEEPING DEMANDS JAPAN'S PLANS IN CHINA

### Yen As Basis For Currency

### FURTHER "CO-OPERATION"

London, To-day.

Japan is preparing to present new sweeping peremptory demands to China, declares the Diplomatic Correspondent of the "Daily Herald."

The precise terms are not yet settled, but the indications are that the demands will include the recognition of Manchukuo, "co-operation" with Japan in all dealings with foreign countries in the reconstruction of the Chinese administration and economic and financial matters, the establishment of the Japanese yen as the basis for the Chinese currency, and an invitation to Japan to send troops to co-operate in the suppression of Communism, especially in Shansi. — Reuter.

## BUT NO SPEECH MADE IN CHAMBER

### "FUTILE TO RESURRECT NON-EXISTENT STATE"

E. AFRICAN CONFLICT DECLARED NOT WORLD PROBLEM

Rome, To-day.

The Chamber of Deputies unanimously passed the decrees for the annexation of Abyssinia yesterday, the decision being taken by ballot. Signor Mussolini made no speech when presenting the decrees. The Ambassadors of Germany and Japan and the Ministers of Austria and Hungary were present in the diplomatic gallery. The decrees include the declaration of Italy's full sovereignty in Ethiopia, the assumption of the title "Emperor" by the King and the appointment of Marshal Badoglio as Viceroy.

Signor Carlo Delcroix, the rapporteur, stated that Marshal Badoglio would be invested with full powers of governing Ethiopia, until the regulations were ready for the future reorganisation of the new dominion. It was folly to raise the Ethiopian conflict into a world question and nothing was more absurd than to try and resurrect a State which had ceased to exist. The old world was too agitated by real problems to allow itself the luxury of evoking phantoms.

Altogether 308 Deputies voted for the decrees and none against. It was decided that a bronze plaque be erected in the Chamber bearing the words: "On May 9 of the 14th year of the Fascist era Signor Mussolini founded the Empire." — Reuter.

## GALA DAY FOR SPORT

### Filipino Stars To Swim Here

### ELABORATE PROGRAMME MAPPED OUT

News is now definitely to hand that the athletes from the Philippines, who will be passing through the Colony shortly on their way to the Olympic Games in Berlin, will be seen in action in Hong Kong.

The Victoria Recreation Club are staging exhibition swimming contests on the evening of Monday, June 1, when the Colony's leading stars will be pitted against the swimmers who are on their way to seek new laurels for the Islands.

These exhibitions will be held under the auspices of the V. R. C., but an official of that Club informed the China Mail this morning that the other swimming clubs of the Colony will be invited to lend their co-operation in order that as representative a team as possible will uphold the honour of swimming in Hong Kong.

No selections have as yet been made, but it is learned that four "almost certainties" will be W. Lawrence, the Colony champion, Lionel Roza-Pereira, Chan Chanhing, the Chinese sprint ace, and Lau Po-hei (back-stroke). In view of the approaching exhibition (Continued on Page 9)

## PALESTINE UNREST

### Commissioner Confers With Leaders

Jerusalem, To-day.—The High Commissioner conferred with the Arab leaders in connection with the situation in Palestine yesterday. The result of the conversations is not yet known. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.



Mr. Frank Murphy, former Governor-General of the Philippine Islands, arrived in the Colony this morning by the s.s. President Coolidge. He is on his way to America to discuss trade and economic problems in connection with the Islands.

## GOLD LOSS IN FRANCE

### FURTHER DRAIN DISCLOSED

\$36,000,000 Lost In One Week

### UNPRECEDENTED OUTFLOW

Paris, To-day.

The Bank of France returns shows that gold valued at \$36,000,000 was lost during the week ended May 8. The total holding is now \$773,000,000. — Reuter.

Paris: Gold to the value of no less than 2,738 milliard francs left the Bank of France during the week ended May 8. As during the same period the note circulation decreased by only 150,000,000 francs, the total percentage of the gold cover decreased from 64.85 to 62.33.

It is maintained that the outflow of gold from the Bank of France has never before reached such dimensions, while at the same time the discounted bills in the bank's portfolio have swollen by 225 to the record of 17,983 milliard francs. — Trans-Ocean Service.

## STOP PRESS

### Reconstruction Of Cabinet?

London, To-day.—Important changes in the Cabinet are foreshadowed by the newspapers. It is reported that Lord Monsell has expressed a wish to be relieved of his duties at the Admiralty after Whit-sun. Sir Samuel Hoare is mentioned as a possible successor, but it is suggested that other changes may be made which will provide Sir Samuel with the choice of another office. — Reuter.

### TROOPS IN TIENTSIN

Tientsin, To-day.—The first batch of Japanese reinforcements, numbering 1,700, arrived here via Chinwangtao this morning. The majority will be stationed at Tientsin, but a small detachment has left for Peiping. — Reuter.

Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell was amongst the passengers who arrived in the Colony from Shanghai by the s.s. Rajputana this morning. He will be continuing his voyage to-morrow on the same vessel to London.

## MRS. MOLLISON'S FLIGHT

### King's Welcome In Greece

### ASTONISHING SCENES AT CROYDON

Athens, To-day.

The personal Aide-de-Camp to King George welcomed Mrs. Amy Mollison on behalf of the King when she landed at Athens on the way to England yesterday. The King wished her a pleasant flight home. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

London, Later: Bad weather in the Alps forced Mrs. Amy Mollison to land at Graz at 7:02 p.m. yesterday, British Standard Time, after announcing her intention to make a non-stop flight from Athens to London. Graz is about 300 miles from Athens and the same distance from London. She will resume her flight this morning.

There were astonishing scenes at Croydon aerodrome last evening, where, anticipating that Mrs. Mollison would arrive at about 10 o'clock, 10,000 people assembled. Special police were summoned to control the crowds, which dispersed disappointedly. — Reuter.

H.M. Submarine Rover arrived in port from the north this morning, for the purposes of a refit.







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## GENERAL NOTICES

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE FIFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 16th May, 1936, commencing at 2.00 p.m. The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

By Order,  
S. A. SLEAP,  
Actg. Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 11th May, 1936.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE  
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Friday 15th—8 a.m. Mass and First Communion in the College Chapel.  
1.30 p.m. Diamond Jubilee Sports at Caroline Hill.

Saturday 16th—5.30 p.m. Diamond Jubilee Concert in the College Hall.

Sunday 17th—8 a.m. Pontifical High Mass at the Cathedral. Mgr. Desvazieres will officiate. Rev. Fr. Ryan S. J. will preach. ALL OLD JOSEPHIANS, BROTHERS, BOYS, FRIENDS AND BENEFACTORS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED.

Saturday 16th—8 p.m. Old Boys' Dinner as per previous notice.

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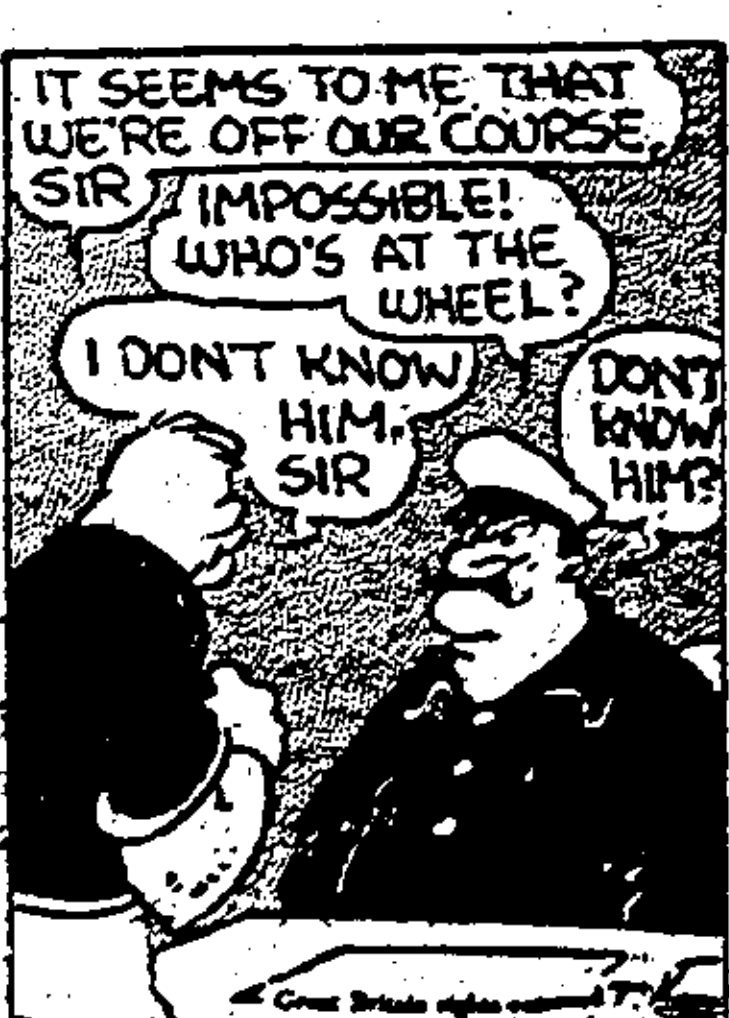
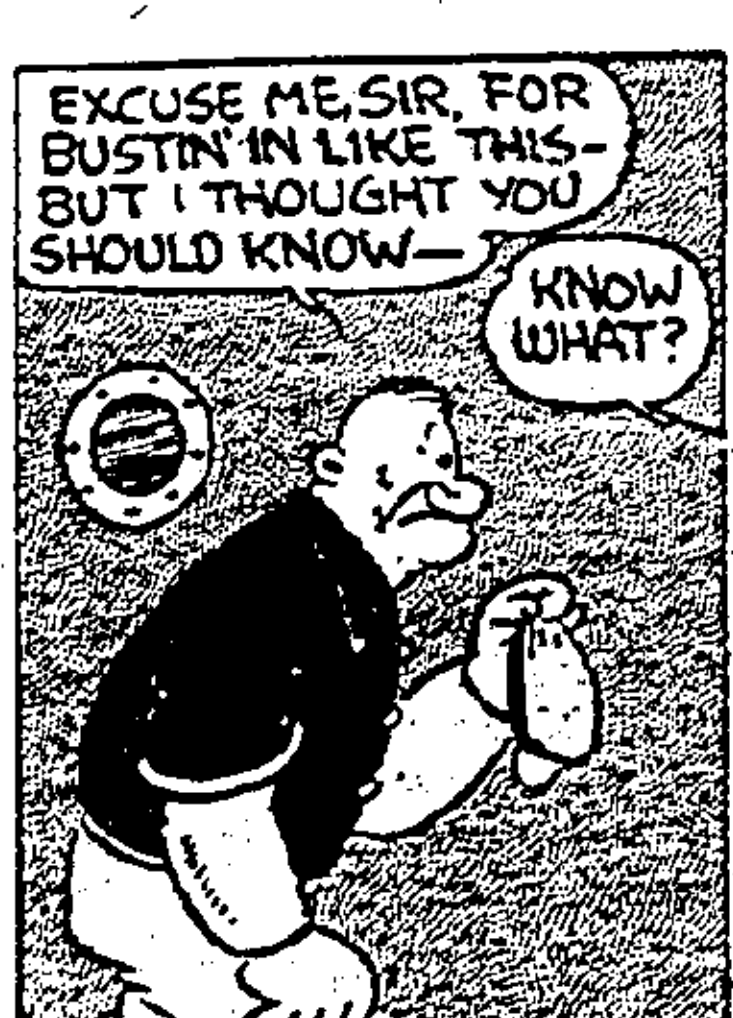
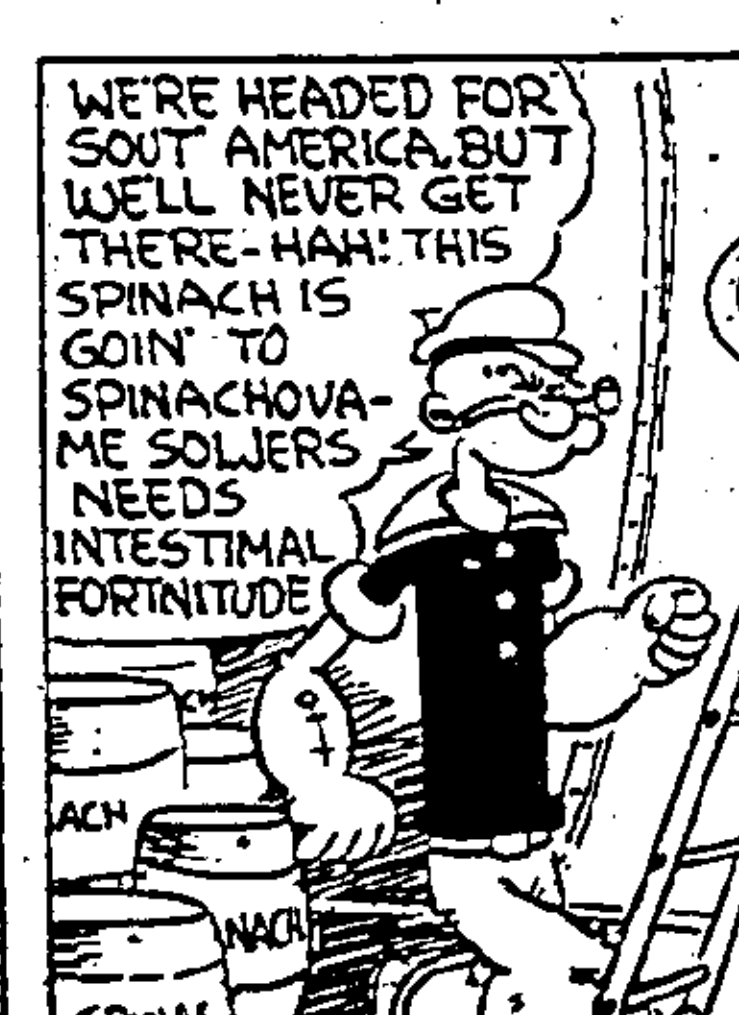
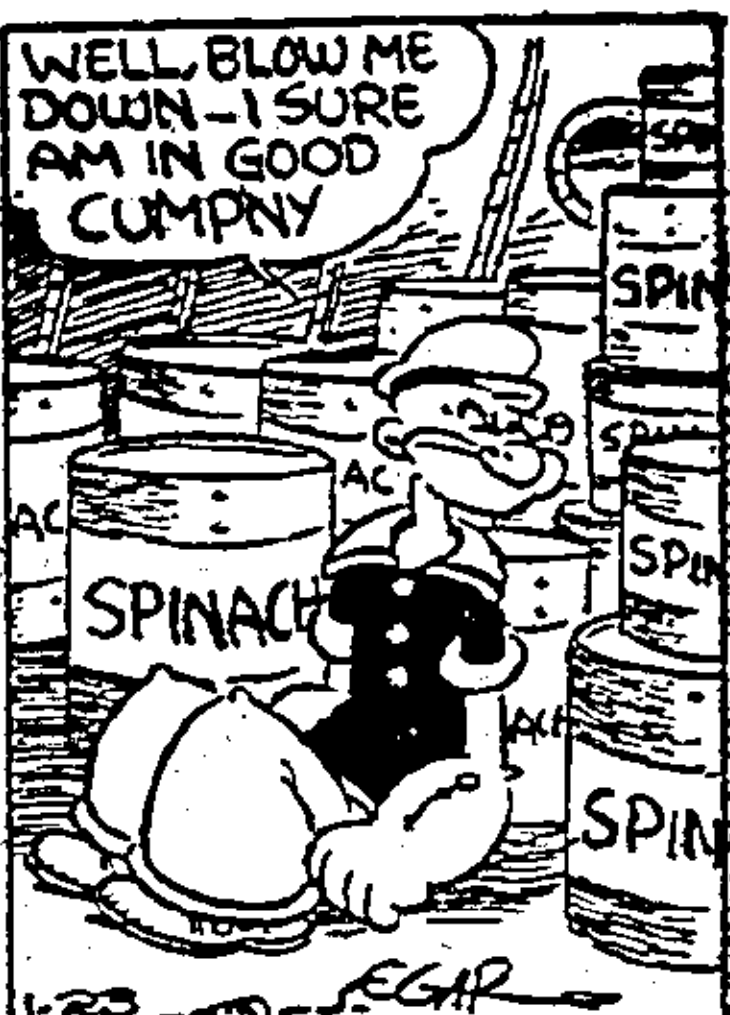
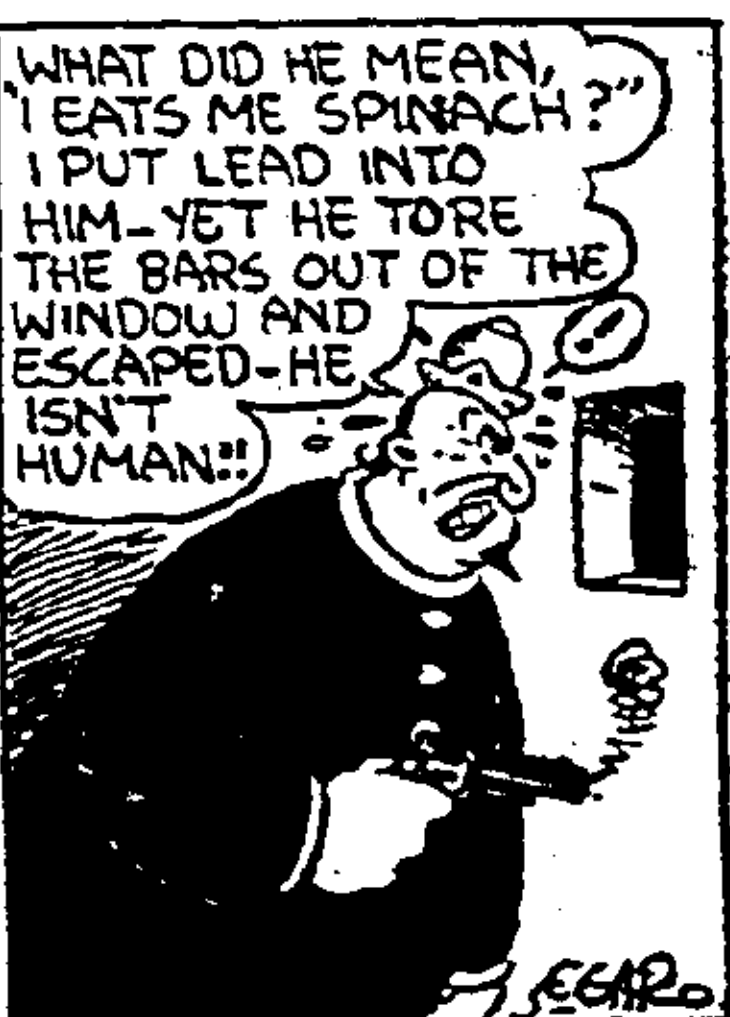
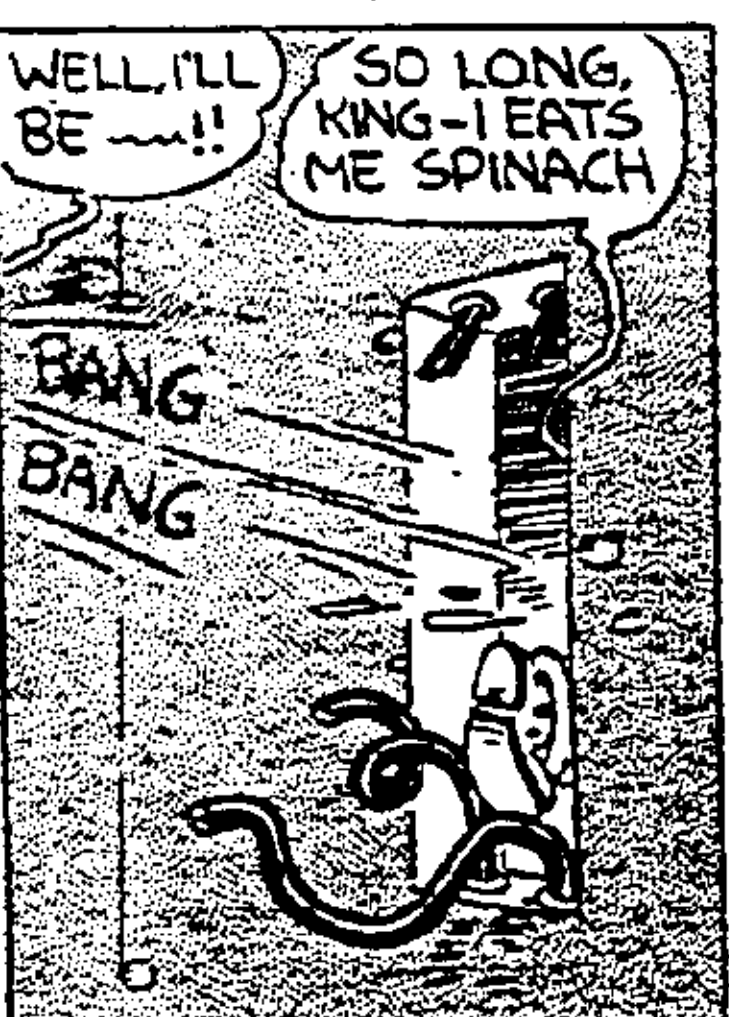
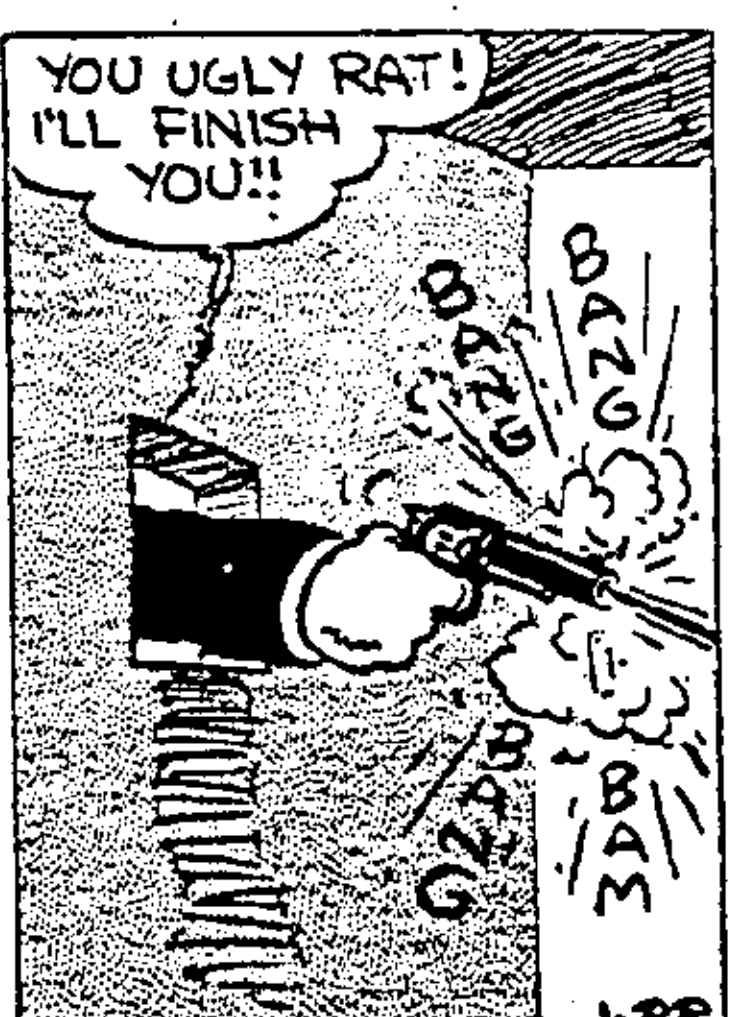
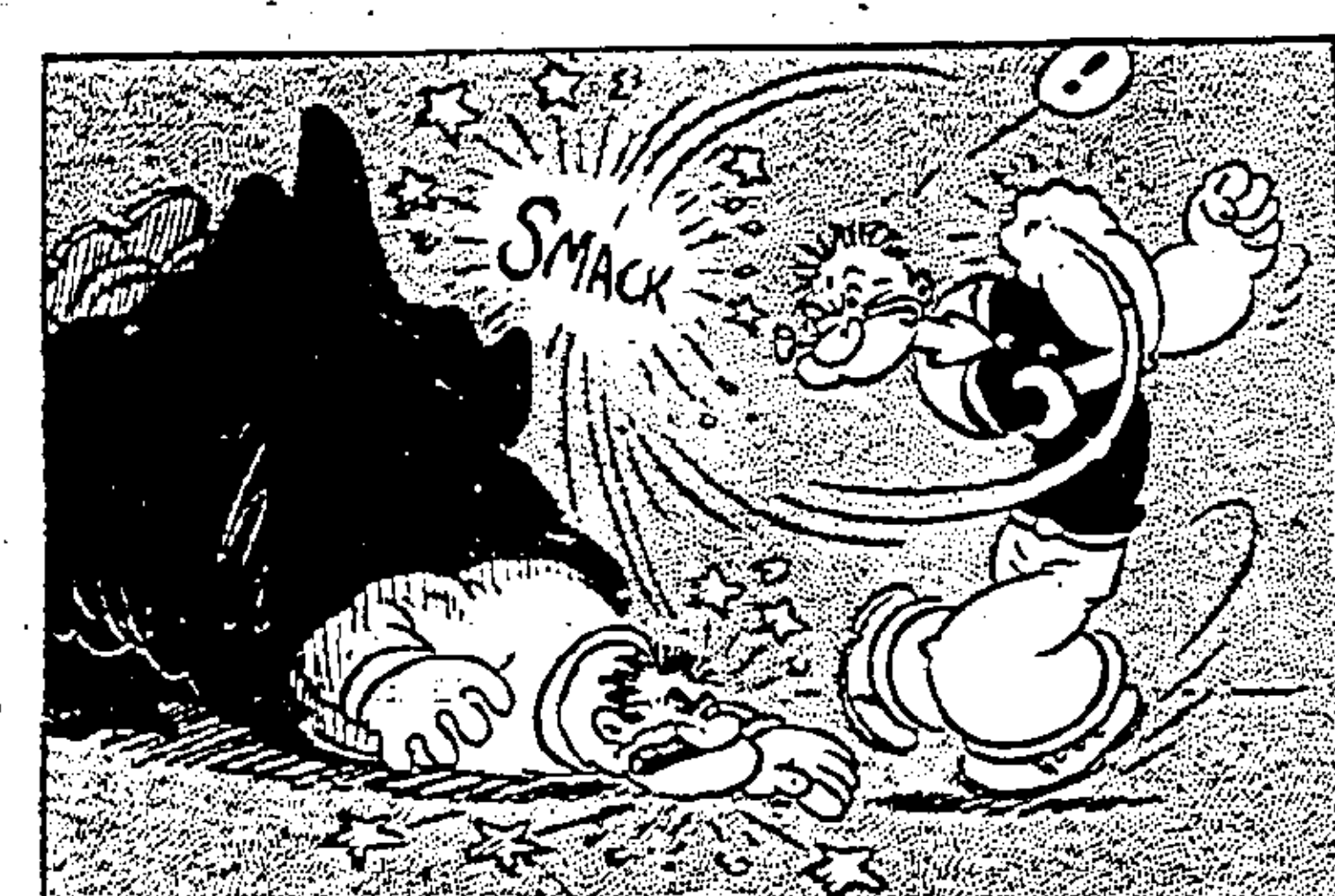
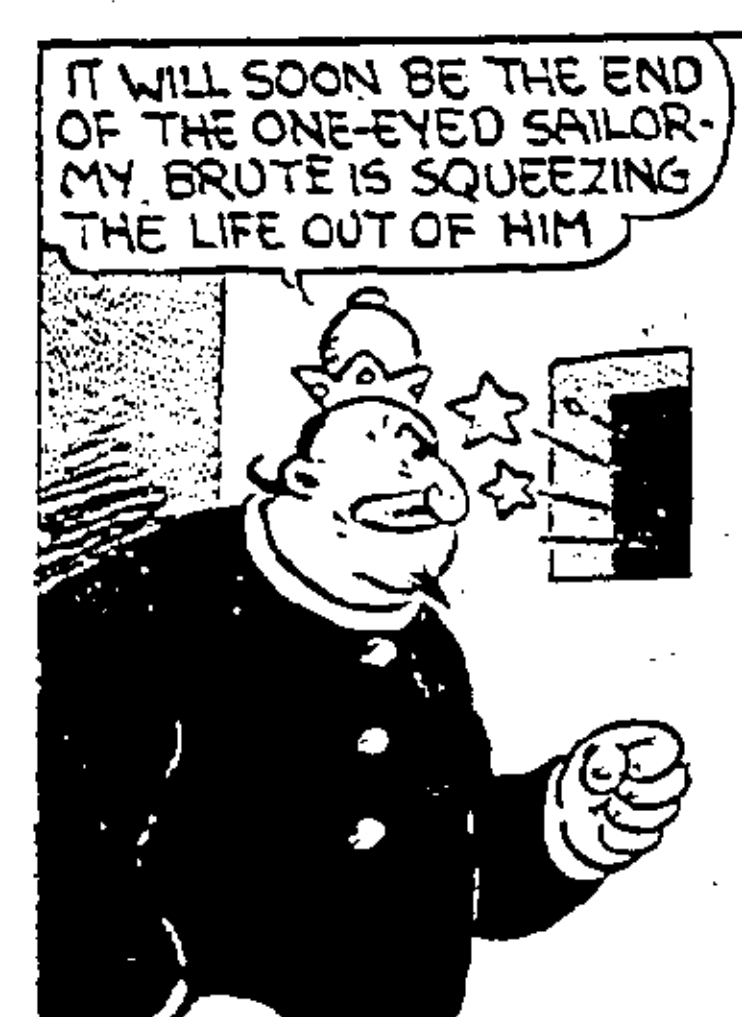
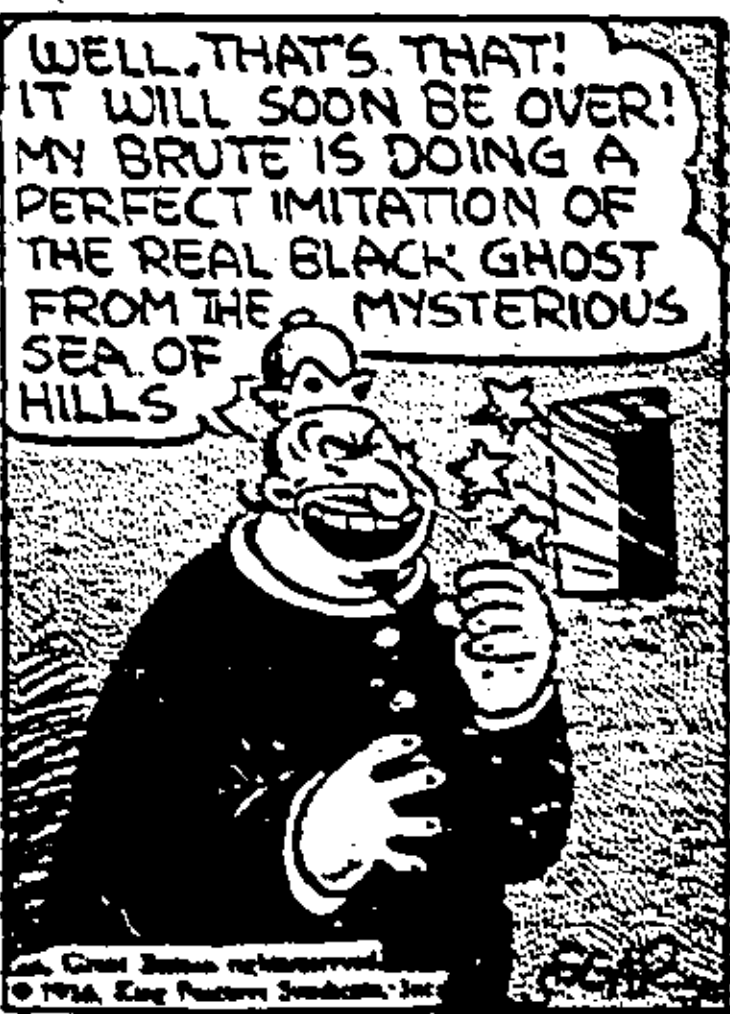
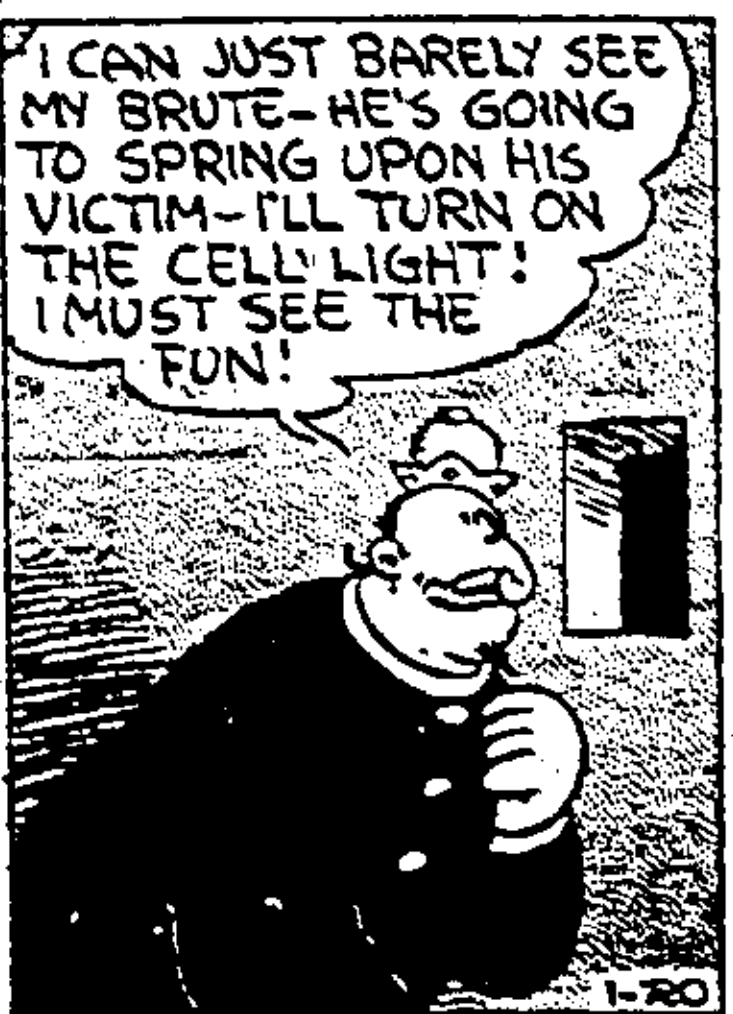
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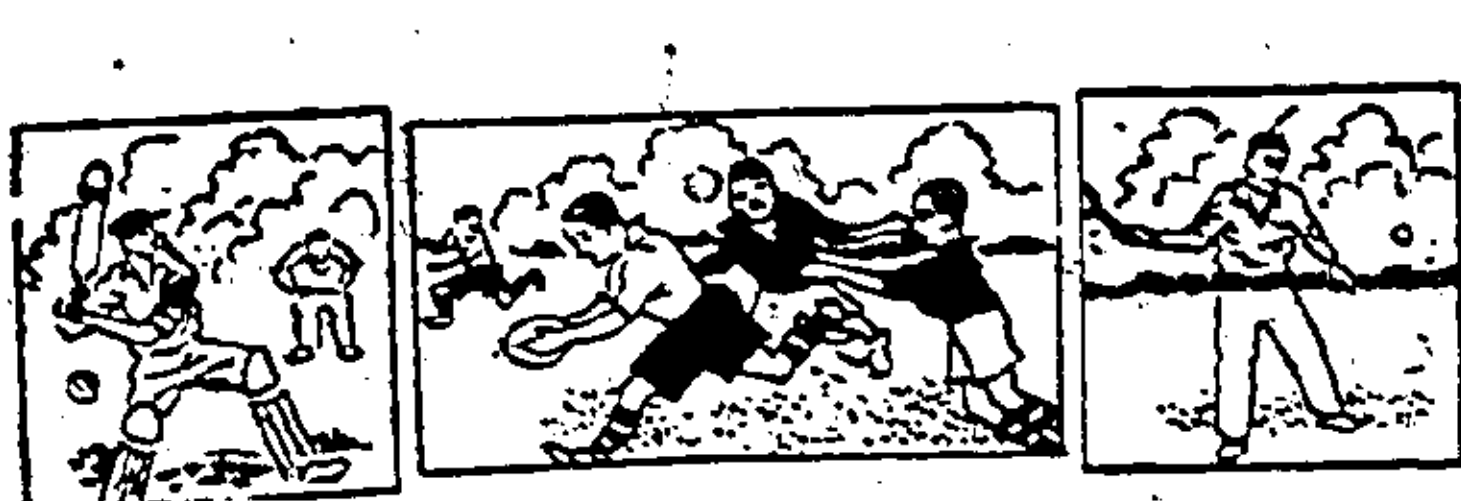
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# Sporting Page



## BRILLIANT BOWLS BY R.F. LUZ'S RINK GIVE CHAMPIONS WIN

### "GOLDEN GLOVES" TRIUMPH FOR GT. BRITAIN

#### SECOND WIN IN NEW SERIES

#### FIERCEST HEAVYWEIGHT FIGHT IN YEARS

(By "LEIGHTON")

Great Britain triumphed in the "Golden Gloves" contest against American amateur boxers this evening at the Empire Pool, Wembley, winning seven out of the eleven fights. Last year the contest was staged for the first time in America and Great Britain gained an unexpected victory.

The heavy-weight fight between V. A. Stuart of the London Fire Brigade and Jim Howell (U.S.A.), which the Englishman won on points, was the fiercest heavy-weight fight seen in England for many years.

Howell started being aggressive from the first going and bombarded Stuart's body heavily. The Englishman stood in the second round and raked the American with both hands. Howell was cautioned three times for holding in this round.

#### Magnificent Round

The last round was a magnificent toe-to-toe-slogging match in which Stuart was much the stronger and had Howell crouching, but the American courageously staged off a knock-out.

The results, all over three rounds, were as follows:—

FLY-WEIGHT: A. Russell (G. B. Battersea) beat Joe Wall (U.S.A.) points.

BANTAM: Pete Acosta (U.S.A.) beat A. Barnes (G. B. Cardiff) Gas points. L. Case (G. B. Darlington) beat George Coyle (U.S.A.) points.

FEATHER: J. Treadway (G. B. Battersea) and Shellbitt beat Raymond Oliver (U.S.A.) on T.R.O. LIGHT: F. Simpson (G. B. Battersea) beat Marcus Ginn (U.S.A.) points.

WELTER: W. S. Pack (G. B. Poly) beat Vincent Pimpinella (U.S.A.) points.

MIDDLE: Willie Skinner (U.S.A.) beat A. H. Harrington (G. B. Victoria A. and N.) points.

LIGHT-HEAVY: George Brothers (U.S.A.) beat T. Griffin (G. B. Poly) points.

Philip Ragozzino (U.S.A.) beat A. Shawyer (G. B. London Fire Brigade) points.

HEAVY: V. Stuart (G. B. London Fire Brigade) beat Jim Howell (U.S.A.) points.

R. Hunter (G. B. Metropolitan Police) knocked out Bull Scholemann (U.S.A.).

### GOLF STARTING TIMES

#### Pairings For Fanling Next Sunday

The following are the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club starting times for Fanling next Sunday:

#### OLD COURSE

9.20 a.m. A. Anderson, J. A. D. Morrison.  
9.24 " F. C. Young, J. G. Cotesworth.  
9.28 " A. Soumefelt, X. Barry.  
9.32 " S. H. Dodwell, K. S. Morrison.  
9.36 " W. N. A. Smalley, J. W. Mayhew.  
9.40 " J. B. Mackie, G. S. Hughes-Jones.  
9.44 " A. T. Ley, E. Bathurst.  
9.48 " L. C. Marson, T. Addis Martin.

#### Foursomes At Valley

#### SECOND ROUND RESULTS

The following are the Second Round results in the Happy Valley Summer Foursomes:

T. D. Paton (8) and E. H. Watts (20) beat E. S. Robertson (4) and J. Petrie (16) by 6 and 5.  
D. S. Edwards (3) and W. W. C. Shewan (11) lost to H. H. Pethick



R. F. Luz, above, the Craigen-gower "A" skip, was responsible for their away win last week at Austin Road, where his quartette beat Adam Holland's four by a margin of 19 shots to give the champions victory by 8 shots.

### LOCAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE TO END TO-MORROW

#### Lyemun Expected To Beat Saints

#### CIVILIANS PRACTICALLY AT FULL STRENGTH

(By "ROYER")

The Hong Kong Football league will at last be brought to a close when St. Joseph's meet Lyemun in the first division in their three postponed encounter at Sookunpoo to-morrow and, in view of the recent displays of the Gunners and that the Saints have not been playing football for nearly a month, it is expected that the Gunners will obtain both points.

St. Joseph's are fielding their best team, and, with the exception of Sinclair, their pivot, who they are giving a rest till next season, and "Dinky" Lee, who is absent from the Colony, will be represented by their regular team.

Hussain will occupy Sinclair's position, while his position at inside-left will be filled by Joannilho, who has shown great promise in the last few games he has played in the First Division.

Omar, a former right-winger, will take Lee's place and will be partnered by Ward and though the former may not be as fast as Lee he centres equally well.

The Artillery team will be the same as that which played against the Fusiliers last week, though there may be positional changes in the forward line. Knight Haldane and Taylor should give the Saints' defence a trying time.

Morton will find the College leader, D. Leonard, a handful, but if he can hold this player most of the sting of the Saints' attack will be taken away.

Worthington, even after an absence from local football for some time, is still a hard defender to get past, while Mackrell's performances in goal recently stamp him as an outstanding goal-keeper.

St. Joseph's—U. B. Souza; V. Costa and L. F. Souza; L. Wood, A. Hussain and F. J. Elmer; Omar, Ward, Leonard, Joannilho and Fernandes.

Lyemun—Mackrell; Boyle, Worthington; Haldane, Morton, Lucas; Barford, Taylor, Knight and Hancock.

(11) and J. W. Mayhew (11) by 2 and 1.

J. W. Franks, (11) and F. J. de Rome (9) lost to A. H. McBride (14) and J. E. Richardson (10) at 19th.

W. A. Stewart (8) and D. S. Robb (14) lost to W. J. Bailey (9) and A. T. Bailey (7) by 3 and 2.

L. Goldman (7) and C. W. E. Bishop (12) beat L. R. Cramer (13) and K. E. Rounds (13) by 2 and 1.

J. Forbes (12) and N. K. Littlejohn (11) beat P. Morrison (11) and E. K. Collings (4).

J. Roger (6) and R. Young (4) lost to A. E. Clarke (13) and W. E. Hillyer (18) by 3 and 1.

J. A. E. Clarke (13) and W. E. Hillyer (18) by 3 and 1.

### BOB WALLACE OPENS SEASON WELL

#### POLICE JUNIORS CAUSE MAJOR UPSET

#### SELBY'S FOUR AGAIN IN LIMELIGHT

(By "Skip")

LAST week's matches finished up as expected, so I am not able to introduce the word "sensational" or "stupendous" into my preliminary remarks, much as we journalists are enamoured of these words! I said in my notes last week that the best match on the card would be that between the Bowling Green Club and the Craigen-gower first team and this proved to be so.

At the fourteenth head the home team were up by one shot, but a rot set in on Holland's rink after tea which resulted in a defeat by eight shots for the home club. Duncan, playing against Basa's four, led all the way from the fifth head to win by five, whilst Guy's rink after a very shaky start levelled up at the tenth to win eventually from Omar by six shots. But while these two rinks were more than holding their own, Holland's men could do nothing right and lost 2, 5, 4 and 3 in succession to give Luz a 19 shot majority to carry the match.

Duncan pulled out a very fine shot against Basa when that player had faced out a layer to count two; in doing so he exposed the jack and "Bob" seized his chance to take it back amongst his own to count a bonny five—and a measure!

### SENSATION IN AUSTRALIAN RANKING LIST

#### QUIST DISPLACES JACK CRAWFORD

#### JOHN BROMWICH THIRD

(By "LEIGHTON")

Melbourne, April 28.  
A. K. Quist, the national tennis champion, is ranked first in Australia. He supersedes Jack Crawford, who loses the top place in the official list for the first time for five years.

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The lists, with the official grading of last year shown after each name, are:—

#### MEN

1.—A. K. Quist, S.A. (Equal Second).  
2.—J. H. Crawford, N.S.W. (First).  
3.—H. Hopman, V. (Sixth) and J. Bromwich, N.S.W. (Fifth).  
5.—V. V. McGrath, N.S.W. (Equal Second).  
6.—A. A. Kay, V. (Equal Ninth).  
7.—D. P. Turnbull, S.A. (Fourth).  
8.—L. A. Schwartz, S.A. (Not Graded) and E. F. Moon, Q. (Seventh).  
10.—D. P. Thompson, N.S.W. (Eighth).

#### WOMEN

1.—Miss J. Hartigan, N.S.W. (First), and Miss T. Coyne, N.S.W. (Fifth).  
3.—Miss N. Wynne, V. (Equal Ninth).  
4.—Miss M. Hattersman, V. (Third).  
5.—Miss A. Hattersman, N.S.W. (Sixth), and Miss D. Stevenson, V. (Equal Ninth).  
8.—Miss G. Griffiths, S.A. (Not Graded).  
9.—Miss D. Weston, S.A. (Not Graded).  
10.—Miss M. Hardcastle, Q. (Not Graded), and Miss J. Wilson, S.A. (Not Graded).  
Mrs. Bond (T.), Mrs. Molesworth (Q.), and Mrs. Westcott (Q.) were not ranked because of insufficient data.

C. S. Sproule was not ranked because of insufficient data.

#### ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE SPORTS MEETING

The 20th annual and Diamond Jubilee sports meeting of St. Joseph's College will be held to-day at Caroline Hill at 2 p.m. The programme consists of no less than 50 events, which include a 1,500 metres race open to the military of Murray Barracks, and a tug-of-war event between the married and unmarried teachers. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, has kindly consented to distribute the prizes.



C. G. Silva, above, last year's leading senior skip, has displaced R. Duncan, the Colony Singles and Pairs champion in this season's table to date.

### BOWLING GREEN TO REPEAT LAST YEAR'S SUCCESS?

#### Craigen-gower "B's" Task At Sookunpoo

#### FOOTBALL CLUB "A" MAY AVENGE DEFEAT

(By "SKIP")

If last year's results are anything to go by, the closest match in the First Division to-morrow should be that between the Police R.C. and the Kowloon Bowling Green, as there were only two shots in it when these two last met at the Valley. It should be a close encounter again this year, but the visitors will probably repeat their success.

Another stern struggle should be witnessed at Sookunpoo, where the Indians entertain Craigen-gower "B", and I think that the visitors, who are playing a very strong game this year, will gather both points, which will be no mean feat on this ground.

The K. C. C. should also be amongst the away winners unless the Kowloon Dock team are able to turn out a stronger team at home than when playing away.

#### No Advantage

Taikoo will have to pull out all they know to hold Recoire's men in check, and I do not think that the ground advantage will be sufficient to turn the scales in their favour.

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### "Skip's" Forecast

FIRST DIVISION	
C.C.C. "A" (79)	C.S.C.C. (39)
POLICE (51)	K.B.G.C. (53)
TAIKOO (—)	RECOIRE (—)
K.D.R.C. (66)	K.C.C. (56)
INDIANS (72)	C.C.C. "B" (59)
SECOND DIVISION	
C.S.C.C. (84)	H.K.F.C. "A" (27)
K.B.G.C. (64)	POLICE (60)
RECOIRE (76)	YACHT CLUB (35)
K.C.C. (56)	ELECTRIC (53)
H.K.F.C. "B" (—)	C.C.C. (—)

### SILVA NOW LEADS SKIP'S RACE

#### FOUR SHOTS AHEAD OF OPEN CHAMPION

#### LEWIS STILL HEADS JUNIORS

C. G. SILVA, of Club de Recreio, who headed the table last year, has displaced R. Duncan, the Colony champion, in the First Division Skips' table with a 100 per cent. record, being 28 shots up, while Duncan is four shots behind, though also with a 100 per cent. record.

A. A. Lewis, of Craigen-gower, retains his position at the top of the Junior Skips' table with three wins in as many games, being 29 shots up, and is followed by H. H. Rose and G. E. F. Thompson, both of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, with 24 and 13 shots, respectively, and also with 100 per cent. records.

The following are complete League records for every skip this season:—

FIRST DIVISION SKIPS' TABLE	
	SHOTS
P. W. L. D. F. A. UP Down Pts.	
C. G. Silva (Recreio) .....	3 3 0 0 69 41 28 0 6
R. Duncan (K.B.G.C.) .....	3 3 0 0 66 42 24 0 6
F. Jones (C.S.C.C.) .....	3 3 0 0 64 53 11 0 6
W. V. Field (C.C.C. "B") .....	2 2 0 0 59 29 30 0 4
C. S. Rossette (C.C.C. "B") .....	2 2 0 0 53 31 22 0 4
R. F. Luz (C.C.C. "A") .....	3 2 2 1 68 47 21 0 4
L. Guy (K.B.G.C.) .....	3 2 2 1 68 48 20 0 4
H. A. Alves (Recreio) .....	3 2 2 1 74 59 15 0 4
K. P. Phillips (K.C.C.) .....	3 2 2 1 69 61 8 0 4
A. Hyde-Lay (K.C.C.) .....	3 2 2 1 65 61 4 0 4
W. E. Hollands (P.R.C.) .....	3 1 1 1 64 65 0 1 3
F. X. da Silva (Recreio) .....	3 1 1 0 22 11 11 0 2
J. Fraser (K.C.C.) .....	1 1 0 0 21 19 2 0 2
W. Gill (C.C.C. "B") .....	1 1 0 0 19 18 1 0 2
W. Y. Adal (I.R.C.) .....	1 1 0 0 40 39 1 0 2
G. N. Mitchell (K.D.R.C.) .....	2 1 1 0 35 39 0 4 2
A. R. Dallah (I.R.C.) .....	3 1 2 0 66 58 8 0 2
R. Basa (C.C.C. "A") .....	3 1 2 0 63 64 1 0 2
J. Deakin (C.S.C.C.) .....	3 1 2 0 61 67 0 6 2
U. M. Omar (C.C.C. "A") .....	3 1 2 0 57 64 0 7 2
W. Mair (P.R.C.) .....	3 1 2 0 57 65 0 8 2
A. M. Holland (K.B.G.C.) .....	3 1 2 0 52 61 0 9 2
J. Hollidge (C.S.C.C.) .....	3 1 2 0 52 72 0 20 2
A. R. Minu (I.R.C.) .....	3 0 2 1 47 69 0 22 1
J. Shepherd (P.R.C.) .....	1 0 1 0 21 23 0 2 0
J. Cavanagh (C.C.C. "B") .....	1 0 1 0 18 21 0 3 0
R. Wallace (T.D.R.C.) .....	1 0 1 0 18 22 0 4 0
J. Ramsay (K.D.R.C.) .....	1 0 1 0 20 25 0 5 0
N. Drummond (T.D.R.C.) .....	1 0 1 0 11 22 0 11 0
J. C. Chalmers (T.D.R.C.) .....	1 0 1 0 18 37 0 19 0
J. V. Ramsay (K.D.R.C.) .....	2 0 2 0 28 45 0 17 0
N. J. Bebbington (K.C.C.) .....	2 0 2 0 26 48 0 22 0
J. McKelvie (K.D.R.C.) .....	3 0 3 0 39 80 0 41 0
A. O. Madar (I.R.C.) .....	78 38 38 2 1574 1574 207 207 78

SECOND DIVISION SKIPS' TABLE	
	SHOTS
P. W. L. D. F. A. UP Down Pts.	
A. A. Lewis (C.C.C.) .....	3 3 0 0 76 47 29 0 6
H. Rose (K.B.G.C.) .....	3 3 0 0 70 46 24 0 6
G. E. F. Thompson (K.B.G.C.) .....	3 3 0 0 67 54 13 0 6
J. Jack (K.C.C.) .....	2 2 2 0 66 28 18 0 4
Dr. J. A. R. Selby (H.K.F.C. "B") .....	2 2 2 0 56 38 12 0 4
S. McHardy (P.R.C.) .....	2 2 2 0 44 32 12 0 4
S. Logan (P.R.C.) .....	2 2 2 0 43 36 7 0 4
H. V. Pearce (C.C.C.) .....	3 2 1 0 53 61 0 8 4
C. H. Baste (Recreio) .....	1 1 0 0 37 16 21 0 2
J. Russell (H.K.F.C. "A") .....	1 1 0 0 23 16 7 0 2
J. F. Lunny (H.K.F.C.) .....	1 1 0 0 22 17 5 0 2
J. C. Robertson (H.K.F.C. "A") .....	2 1 1 0 45 33 12 0 2
C. H. Sherriff (K.B.G.C.) .....	2 1 1 0 39 33 6 0 2
A. Webster (H.K.F.C.) .....	2 1 1 0 35 31 4 0 2
D. E. Maughan (H.K.F.C.) .....	2 1 1 0 46 44 2 0 2
G. E. Costello (H.K.F.C.) .....	2 1 1 0 37 35 2 0 2
A. Chapman (H.K.F.C. "B") .....	2 1 1 0 36 37 0 2 2
W. H. Musket (H.K.F.C.) .....	2 1 1 0 43 47 0 3 2
L. E. Lammert (K.C.C.) .....	2 1 1 0 31 36 0 5 2
F. X. Soares (Recreio) .....	2 1 1 0 30 39 0 9 2
J. S. Riddell (P.R.C.) .....	3 1 2 0 60 58 2 0 2
A. Ward (C.C.C.) .....	1 0 1 0 18 21 0 3 0
T. W. Carr (K.C.C.) .....	1 0 1 0 16 19 0 3 0
H. Rosario (Recreio) .....	1 0 1 0 12 18 0 6 0
H. Over (K.C.C.) .....	1 0 1 0 21 28 0 7 0
A. F. Paul (H.K.F.C.) .....	1 0 1 0 16 37 0 28 0
J. Gregory (H.K.F.C. "A") .....	1 0 1 0 9 31 0 22 0
W. S. Drake (K.B.G.C.) .....	2 0 2 0 39 42 0 4 0
R. R. Davies (C.S.C.C.) .....	2 0 2 0 37 41 0 4 0
E. J. Edwards (H.K.F.C. "B") .....	2 0 2 0 35 44 0 9 0
F. V. Westlake Sr. (C.S.C.C.) .....	2 0 2 0 34 51 0 17 0
J. Bentley (H.K.F.C.) .....	2 0 2 0 30 47 0 17 0
P. A. Yanovich (Recreio) .....	2 0 2 0 27 45 0 18 0
J. Rodger (H.K.F.C. "A") .....	2 0 2 0 25 47 0 22 0
H. F. Westlake Jr. (C.S.C.C.) .....	66 33 33 0 1295 1295 182 182 66

### Selected Lawn Bowls Teams For To-morrow

The following are selected lawn bowls teams for to-morrow:—

#### FIRST DIVISION

C.C.C. "A"  
J. R. Soares, A. A. Ezzack, A. E. Coates, R. F. Luz (skip).  
G. S. Summons, A. S. Gomes, J. Cavanagh, U. M. Omar (skip).  
A. R. E. Dallah (skip).  
C.C.C. "B"  
A. J. Coelho, R. W. Whiteman, M. A. E. Souza, C. S. Rossette (skip).  
J. W. Leonard, H. W. Randall, A. M. Omar, W. V. Field (skip).  
J. Pan, W. Phelps, K. M. Omar, W. Gill (skip).  
Police R.C.  
J. Orem, C. Downman, W. Greig, E. Hollands (skip).  
A. E. Carey, R. H. E. Marks, W. J. Cameron, W. Mair (skip).

F. E. E. Booker, W. S. Dall, W. Glendinning, J. Shepherd (skip).  
Civil Service C.C.  
P. E. Knight, J. Cook, C. Strange, F. Jones (skip).  
H. Major, W. Burling, J. F. Macdonald, S. Deakin (skip).  
J. Gellatley, W. L. Collyer, S. E. Alderman, J. Hollidge (skip).  
Indian R.C.  
A. M. Khan, S. M. Ramjahn, M. Y. Adal, A. R. Dallah (skip).  
J. Hoosen, A. K. Mimm, A. H. Rumjahn, A. E. Mimm (skip).  
M. R. Abbas, A. Bakar, A. M. Wahab, A. O. Madar (skip).  
K.C.C.  
A. E. Silkestone, J. Ferguson, N. J. Bebbington, R. P. Phillips (skip).  
G. Lee, E. G. Craig, F. G. Godwin, A. Hyde-Lay (skip).  
H. Gittins, E. Kern, W. Geall, E. C. Fincher (skip).

#### SECOND DIVISION

C.C.C.  
D. K. Kharras, D. A. Rosario, W. J. Bentley, A. A. Lewis (skip).  
N. P. Kavanja, E. McNay, Y. Abba, H. V. Pearce (skip).  
H. J. Pollerby, J. Fitzgerald, L. C. E. Souza, W. Ward (skip).

#### Kowloon B.G.C.

E. W. Limes, J. Watson, W. Macfarlane, L. Guy (skip).  
S. Bright, E. Hall, S. Randle, R. Duncan (skip).  
J. Henson, J. G. Meyer, M. Henderson, A. M. Holland (skip).  
Recreio  
J. E. Noronha, D. C. Alves, M. P. Remedios, C. C. Silva (skip).  
A. A. Remedios, E. M. Remedios, F. V. V. Ribeiro, E. A. Alves (skip).  
L. A. Gutierrez, L. F. Xavier, J. J. Baste, F. X. M. da Silva (skip).

#### Police

C. S. Alexander, T. R. Hunter, L. Mist, W. McHardy (skip).  
A. J. Johnson, S. R. Farlow, C. Pile, S. Logan (skip).  
N. Fraser, J. McKay, W. L. Clarke, J. S. Riddell (skip).  
Civil Service  
A. Steven, M. E. Purvis, E. R. Wood, H. F. Westlake (skip).  
J. R. Pengelly, W. R. Hillyer, N. M. Bakusson, R. R. Davies (skip).  
C. T. Champelovier, M. Cunietti, H. E. Strange, H. Westlake (skip).  
Kowloon B.G.C.  
W. Walker, K. C. Hamilton, C. B. Hosking, H. H. Rose (skip).  
B. S. Rogers, S. White, S. Drake, C. Sherriff (skip).  
F. Cheesman, R. Reed, J. Gill, G. E. F. Thompson (skip).  
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— Superior effect  
— Superior result  
— Superior outcome  
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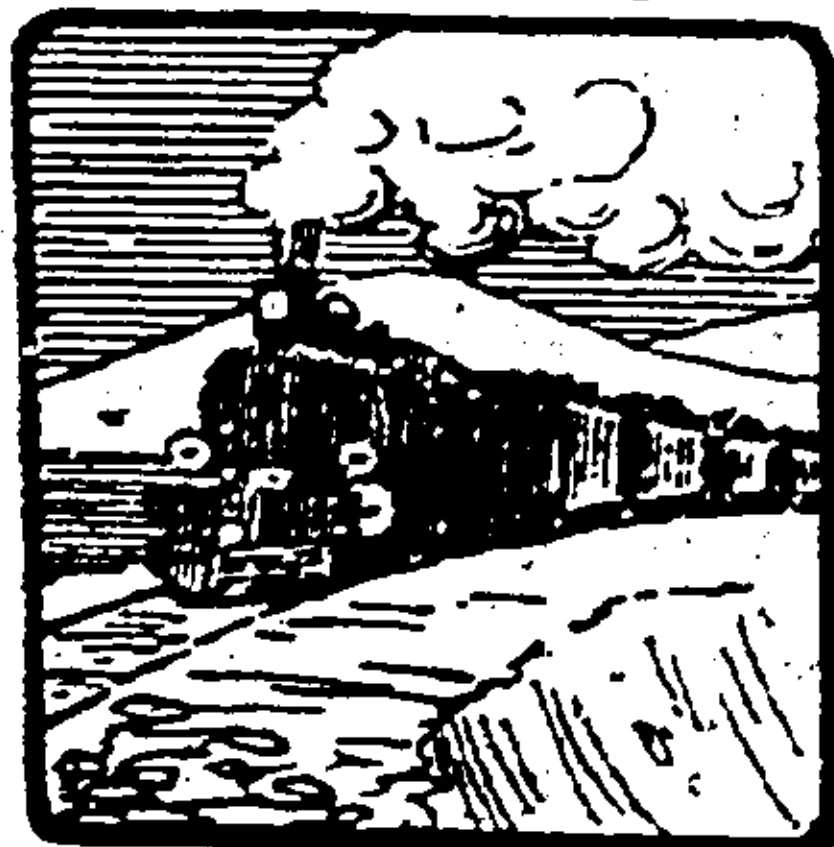
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# "A" DIVISION TENNIS HOLDERS CHALLENGED DIAMOND JUBILEE OF TEST CRICKET!

## WILFRED RHODES IN SEPARATE CLASS

FULL STATISTICS FOR 251 GAMES

London, April 26.

THE present year is the Diamond Jubilee of Test cricket, for it was in 1876 that a team of English professionals captained by James Lillywhite travelled to Australia, and in due course embarked upon the first English-Australia match at Melbourne. Since that date 251 Test matches have been played by England, Australia, South Africa, West Indies, New Zealand and India, in each of the six countries the batting and bowling average of those who have scored 750 runs, or taken forty wickets are given below.

The facts and figures were compiled by that great cricket statistician, E. L. Roberts, and were published in the London Observer.

BATSMEN	No. of Tests	Runs	Average
D. G. Bradman (A)	28	3849	15.88.69
G. Headley (W.I.)	16	1801	8.66.70
H. Sutcliffe (E)	54	4555	16.60.73
K. S. Duleepsinhji (E)	12	995	3.58.52
J. B. Hobbs (E)	61	5410	15.56.94
A. C. Russell (E)	10	910	5.56.87
W. R. Hammond (E)	55	4531	13.56.63
E. Tyldesley (E)	14	990	3.55.00
C. F. Walters (E)	11	784	1.52.26
J. Ryder (A)	20	1394	3.51.63
C. P. Mead (E)	17	1184	4.49.33
Sir F. S. Jackson (E)	20	1412	3.48.68
W. H. Ponsford (A)	29	2122	7.48.22
D. R. Jardine (E)	22	1296	1.48.06
E. Hendren (E)	51	3525	7.47.63
S. J. McCabe (A)	30	1903	4.47.57
W. M. Woodfull (A)	35	2291	7.45.82
H. L. Collins (A)	19	1352	4.45.06
K. S. Ranjitsinhji (E)	15	985	2.44.77
B. Mitchell (S.A.)	27	1933	4.42.93
L. Ames (E)	32	1712	7.42.93
M. Leyland (E)	33	2050	6.41.83
C. G. Macartney (A)	35	2132	7.41.80
G. A. Faulkner (S.A.)	25	1754	4.40.73
H. W. Taylor (S.A.)	42	2539	7.40.77
W. Bardsley (A)	41	2469	6.40.47
G. Gunn (E)	15	1120	2.40.00
C. Hill (A)	49	3402	7.39.10
W. T. Trumper (A)	48	3163	8.39.04
W. W. Armstrong (A)	50	2873	6.38.82
A. Sandham (E)	14	879	2.38.21
R. H. Catterall (S.)	24	1555	3.37.92
V. S. Ransford (A)	20	1211	1.37.81
C. Kelleway (A)	26	1422	3.37.42
J. M. Gregory (A)	24	1146	2.36.58
F. A. Iredale (A)	22	1192	2.36.12
A. F. Kippax (E)	64	3283	5.36.07
F. E. Woolley (E)	20	997	1.35.60
J. M. Taylor (A)	16	996	2.35.57
A. E. Stoddart (A)	23	1277	3.35.47
A. Shrewsbury (E)	22	1307	2.35.32
R. A. Duff (A)	35	1999	3.34.44
T. Hayward (E)	35	1931	5.33.87
J. W. Zulch (S.A.)	16	985	2.32.83
R. E. S. Wyatt (E)	37	1739	2.32.81
W. G. Grace (E)	22	1089	2.32.29
C. B. Fry (E)	26	1223	2.32.13
W. L. Murdoch (A)	18	896	2.32.00
J. T. Tyldesley (E)	31	1661	4.30.75
C. A. Ross (W.I.)	16	952	2.30.70
G. C. White (S.A.)	17	872	2.30.63
M. A. Noble (A)	42	1997	1.30.25
W. Rhodes (E)	58	2325	2.30.19
A. D. Nourse (S.A.)	45	2234	1.29.73
J. W. H. T. Douglas (E)	23	982	1.29.78
P. S. McDonnell (A)	19	958	3.29.15
J. Darling (A)	34	1657	3.28.56
A. P. F. Chapman (E)	26	925	1.28.03
K. J. Viljoen (S.A.)	16	858	2.27.32
H. B. Cameron (S.)	26	1073	0.26.17
L. C. Braund (E)	23	991	3.26.07
J. W. Hearne (E)	16	896	1.26.00
M. W. Tate (E)	39	1198	1.25.48
S. E. Gregory (A)	58	2282	4.24.53
W. A. Oldfield (A)	49	1348	0.24.50
G. Ulyett (E)	25	949	1.24.33
G. Giffen (A)	31	1238	1.23.35
J. H. Sinclair (S.A.)	25	1069	3.22.23
A. C. Bannerman (A)	23	1168	6.22.08
G. H. Hirst (E)	24	752	0.22.62
S. J. Sookoo (S.A.)	26	1009	1.22.40
H. Carter (A)	28	873	0.22.39
G. H. S. Trotter (A)	24	921	1.21.92
A. A. Lilly (E)	35	902	0.20.50
H. Trumble (A)	32	851	0.19.79
J. Briggs (E)	33	815	1.18.11
J. McG. Blackham (A)	35	840	0.15.58

BOWLERS	No. of Tests	Runs	Average
G. A. Lohmann (E)	18	112	5.10.75
J. J. Ferris (A)	8	61	6.12.70
W. Barnes (E)	21	51	0.15.54
S. F. Barnes (E)	27	189	7.16.43
C. F. B. Turner (A)	17	101	2.16.53
W. Bates (E)	15	49	1.16.75
P. Peel (E)	20	102	1.16.81
J. Briggs (E)	33	118	4.17.74
H. Ironmonger (A)	14	74	2.17.97
P. R. Spofforth (A)	18	92	4.18.41
C. Blythe (E)	19	100	3.18.63
G. Ulyett (E)	23	51	0.19.80
W. H. Lockwood (E)	12	41	1.20.55
P. R. Foster (E)	11	45	0.20.57
W. J. Whitty (A)	14	65	0.21.12
G. E. Palmer (A)	17	76	2.21.51
H. Trumble (A)	32	141	3.21.78
H. Verity (E)	21	82	2.21.78
J. T. Hearne (E)	12	49	1.22.03
A. E. Hall (S.A.)	7	40	1.22.15
J. V. Saunders (A)	14	79	0.22.74
A. E. Voiler (S.A.)	15	64	1.22.75
W. J. O'Brien (A)	17	89	2.23.10
H. V. Horden (A)	7	46	2.23.36
W. E. Bower (E)	10	46	0.23.52

## BOWLING GREEN TO REPEAT LAST YEAR'S SUCCESS?

(Continued from Page 4)

The biggest certainty on the card appears to be a home win for Craigengower "A" who will entertain the Civil Service. They had a majority of 40 shots in this fixture last year, and, although I mean no discredit to the Civil Servants by forecasting a similar result, I think they will do well if they get within 20 shots of the home team's score.

### Better Game

In the second Division the Football Club will be out to avenge the severe defeat which they suffered at the hands of the Civil Service in the corresponding match last year, and I think a much better game should be seen with the home team just scraping through.

Recreio, K. B. G. C. and the K. C. C. all look likely home winners, but I would not advise the Craigengower juniors to be too sure of bringing the points back from the Football Club. The "babes" of the League have not lost a match yet and will make every endeavour to preserve their record, which I think they will do.

C. V. Grimmett (A)	37	216	7.24.21
M. A. Noble (A)	42	121	2.24.91
T. Richardson (E)	14	88	4.25.22
G. A. Faulkner (S.)	25	82	0.25.36
A. P. Freeman (E)	12	66	3.25.36
M. W. Tate (E)	39	155	1.26.13
R. O. Schwarz (S.)	20	53	0.26.73
W. Rhodes (E)	58	127	1.26.36
R. W. V. Robins (E)	9	43	0.27.00
G. Giffen (A)	31	103	1.27.09
W. Voce (E)	17	65	1.27.15
C. G. Macartney (A)	35	45	1.27.53
H. Larwood (E)	18	78	1.28.41
A. Catter (A)	21	89	0.28.64
W. P. Powell (A)	18	49	0.28.95
E. Jones (A)	19	64	1.29.01
G. Geary (E)	14	46	1.29.63
G. H. Hirst (E)	24	59	0.30.00
L. N. Constantine (W.I.)	15	47	0.30.17
J. M. Blackenberg (S.A.)	17	60	0.30.26
I. A. R. Peables (E)	13	45	0.30.91
C. L. Vincent (S.)	25	84	0.30.95
J. M. Gregory (A)	24	85	0.31.75
J. H. Sinclair (S.A.)	25	62	0.31.18
C. Kelleway (A)	26	52	0.32.26
J. C. White (E)	15	49	1.32.26

Of the 62 bowlers qualified for inclusion 27 represented England, 23 Australia, 11 South Africa, and 1 West Indies.

The following points are suggested by the statistics:—

1. The names of 9 Englishmen, 7 Australians, and 3 South Africans appear in both lists.

2. Five cricketers have scored 1,000 runs, taken 40 wickets, and made 40 catches in Test cricket.

No. of Wickets  
W. W. Armstrong 50 2,873 87.44  
W. R. Hammond 55 4,531 63.73  
A. D. Nourse 45 2,234 41.41  
W. Rhodes 58 2,325 127.58  
F. E. Woolley 64 3,283 83.61  
W. Rhodes is the only cricketer who has scored 2,000 runs, taken 100 wickets, and made 50 catches in Test cricket.

Of the 78 cricketers in the above list of batsmen, 33 represented England, 32 Australia, 11 South Africa, and 2 West Indies. New Zealand and India have no representatives, C. S. Dempster with 723 runs (average 55.72) being not quite eligible for inclusion.

Two curious, and possibly significant, facts, are revealed by the batting and bowling figures. Of



D. R. Jardine, the former England Test cricket captain, and one of the country's best opening batsmen in recent years, has a record in first class cricket of which any cricketer may be proud. Since the body-line controversy arose, however, he has not been playing first class cricket.

## K.C.C. NOMINATE PLAYERS

Surprising Doubts Regarding Clarke

SECOND TRIAL ON SUNDAY

(By "BASE-LINE")

At a meeting of the Lawn Tennis Committee of the Kowloon Cricket Club last night players for their seven League teams were nominated, but in several instances these are subject to revision following a second series of trials next Sunday afternoon, commencing at 3 p.m.

It is surprising to see that G. Clarke, their promising newcomer from India, has not been given a definite position in the "A" team, being bracketed with A. W. Ramsay. Ideally suited to League tennis requirements, he fully deserves recognition before several of the veteran players already selected, and it would be a short-sighted policy on the part of the selectors if they did not take this opportunity of giving quite their most outstanding "find" experience in the premier division. In two years' time Clarke is likely to have a big say in the destiny of the Colony Singles Championship, and it would be a shame to have his possible future progress retarded at this early stage.

The remaining partnerships are more or less as expected, but it is difficult to understand why the K. C. C. did not enter two teams in the "A" Division with a view to building up a useful premier team for four years hence. As it is their senior team is comprised mainly of veterans and at present, owing to lack of experience in the premier grade, there seems little likelihood of good youngsters succeeding them.

The following are the provisional pairings:—

"A" DIVISION  
E. C. Fincher and E. F. Fincher  
G. Bodiker and A. W. Ramsay or G. Clarke

"B" DIVISION  
F. Grose and A. E. P. Guest

"C" DIVISION  
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The first ten batsmen only one—J. B. Hobbs—dates from pre-war days; while of the first seventeen bowlers, H. Ironmonger is the only product of post-war cricket. One or two inferences might be drawn from these facts, either the modern batsmen are better than their fore-runners, or the bowlers of to-day are less effective than were those of the earlier period. The latter seems to be the more likely explanation.

## LEAGUE PROSPECTS REVIEWED

## RECREIO FIELDING MOST YOUTHFUL SIDE

SOUTH CHINA'S PROMOTION

(By "Saladin")

THE impending Lawn Tennis League season bids fair to mark another important and transitory stage in the history of the game locally. The first sign has been evidenced by the fact that veterans in the game have been rendered hors de combat in the recently completed championships. So far, whenever new champions have arisen, the changes have affected the League to a great extent, and so the Hong Kong Cricket Club annual tennis tournament is likely to give a good indication for the following League season.

Thus, in the 'teens, when Ng Sze-kwong snatched the Singles title and a year later with Wong Po-keung added the Doubles title, the Chinese Recreation Club followed those successes by capturing the Senior Division League Shield. Then in the early 'twenties, when some half-a-dozen Indian youths made their presence felt in the championship competitions, the Senior Shield passed from the hands of the Chinese to their Indian rivals.

In 1924, Honda won the Singles Championship. He led the M.B.K. worthily, but no one man can ever win league titles for his side, but it was significant that the change of title that year influenced the competition in the League to such an extent that the United Services Recreation Club snatched the honours from the Indians. A few years later, with the Rumjahn cousins' sequence of successes in the Open Doubles, and C. A. L. Rumjahn's supremacy in the Singles, the Indians regained the League leadership in 1930 and 1931, but since then the more balanced teams of the Chinese Recreation Club have prevailed against individual superiority and the depleted personnel of the Indians.

## LIM BONG SOO TURNS PRO.

Malayan Tennis Champion Joins Exclusive Club

Lim Bong Soo, four times Malayan lawn tennis champion, and the present holder of the title, has turned professional. He has been engaged by the Tanglin Club and will give instruction there every day, except Sundays, from May 15.

## CRAIGENGOWER HAVE GOOD TEAM IN "B" DIVISION

G. CHOA PROMOTED TO "C" TEAM

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS IN PROGRESS

(By "ACE")

The Craigengower Cricket Club's hopes of concluding the coming tennis League season with a divisional championship have never been brighter. In the "B" Division, the team entered will be the same that played together throughout the last season in the "A" Division.

W. J. Howard has been elected captain, and with such players as J. W. Leonard, Y. Hachiuma, R. Choa, G. Lai and E. B. Zimmermann, Craigengower will start the season as favourites.

I have been given to understand that the only definite partnerships agreed upon are Lenoard and Hachiuma, R. Choa and Howard, and G. Lai and Zimmermann. In the other divisions, the general improvement shown will make it a difficult matter to settle definitely upon the pairings.

Hachiuma Due Back

Y. Hachiuma, who is at present in Japan to be married, will be back with the team in sufficient time to participate in the opening games of the League series.

New players who will be seen for the club are Dr. Karanji, Dr. Lam and H. S. Rathou. The former two players are reputed to be well acquainted with the game. Regarded by Club members as the most promising of all the



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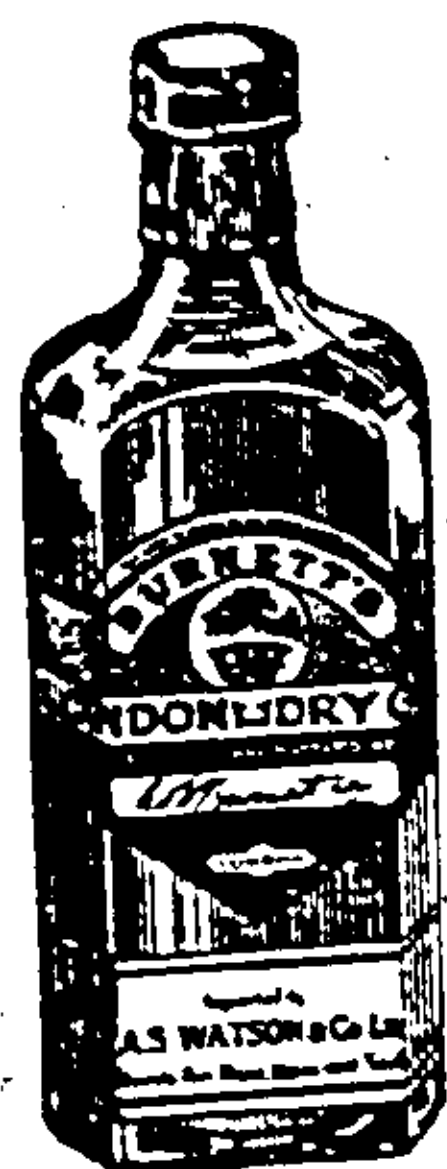
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## ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. &amp; Mrs. Fung Kong Un beg to announce that the marriage of their daughter, Stella, to Mr. Chau Sing Kan will take place at the Registry on Thursday 21 May 1936. No invitations are being issued but all friends will be welcome at the Reception to be held at the Hong Kong Hotel at 4.30 p.m.

Hong Kong, Friday, May 15, 1936.

## Mui-tsai

The question of mui-tsai in the Colony is, like the poor, always with us. It is brought constantly to our notice by the many cases cropping up in the police-courts of ill-treatment of mui-tsai by their mistresses, or other offences against the Female Domestic Service Ordinance of 1923, such as failing to register a mui-tsai, bringing an unregistered mui-tsai into the Colony, etc. That these children need protection has long been recognised and the Ordinance of 1923, designed to that end, was a long step forward in that direction. But, despite all the efforts of the Chinese Secretariat and its inspectors to see that the law is obeyed, there have been, and still are, so many evasions and contraventions that it has become evident that the penalties provided are insufficient. The offenders, moreover, in all too many cases are people of education, who cannot plead ignorance. The result of this failure to check the evil is the amendment, passed by the Legislative Council on Wednesday, considerably increasing the penalties previously provided by adding imprisonment to the fines impossible in certain cases. From time to time the subject of the Colony's mui-tsai attracts the attention of a House of Commons, the last occasion being in February of this year, when the Minister for the Colonies, referring to the many cases of offences against the Ordinance, said: "I have looked into the prosecutions and find there are too many fines. I would like to see imprisonment as a deterrent." And, as an immediate consequence, a commission was appointed to make a thorough enquiry into the matter. That commission has now arrived in the Colony.

It has long been the settled policy of the British Government, as regards the Colonies, to interfere as little as possible with the religions and customs of the peoples living under their protection and jurisdiction and only to intervene in cases of grave abuse. But in the mui-tsai system many thoughtful people see a case, not merely for regulation, but for abolition. Look at it how one will, these children are domestic slaves. Bought or, in rare cases, given away by their parents, they become the absolute property of their mistresses. In a country like China, ravaged by flood, famine and pestilence claiming their hundreds of thousands, even millions, of victims and leaving more hundreds of thousands starving and homeless, there is every excuse for the existence of the system; at least the children so disposed of are assured of food, clothing and a home of sorts; but these reasons do not exist in Hong Kong or the Straits Settlements, and it is futile to adduce them in support of the system in the two Colonies. Be it noted that the mui-tsai are girls, not boys, and that they are acquired for one purpose only—to become

## SITUATION IN AUSTRIA

Reconstruction Of Cabinet

UNIFIED POLITICAL LEADERSHIP

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Vienna, To-day. An official communique issued here early yesterday morning announces the reconstruction of the Cabinet and then goes on to say: "The retiring Vice-Chancellor, Prince von Starhemberg, has withdrawn from the Government in consequence of material divergencies of opinion between him and the Federal Chancellor. "The Government has set itself the task of concentrating all the patriotic forces of the country. This concentration requires the complete unification of political leadership, as well as the clarification of the relations between the Fatherland Front organisation and the various State institutions. For this reason the Federal Chancellor assumes the leadership of the Fatherland Front. "At the request of the Federal Chancellor, the leader of the Home Guards, Prince von Starhemberg, has given instructions that the members of the new Cabinet who are also members of the Home Guards should accept the appointments."

Close To Rome Vienna, later: The composition of the new Austrian Cabinet shows that the former Christian-Social Party will exert a considerable influence within it. The new Minister for Social Administration, Dr. Resch, has already occupied the same position in various Cabinets presided over by Dr. Seipel and Dr. Dollfuss, while the Minister of Commerce and Communications, Herr Stockinger—who was an intimate friend of Dr. Dollfuss—the Minister of Justice, Dr. Hammerstein-Equard, and the Minister of Education, Herr Pernter, also belonged to that party.

Political circles express the opinion that the Cabinet crisis was to a large extent the result of events which took place last Sunday, when clashes occurred in the streets of the capital on the occasion of the annual relay of the Catholic working men's organisation, "Freiheitsbund," between detachments of Prince von Starhemberg's Home Guards and members of the Freiheitsbund. It is believed that these incidents convinced Chancellor von Schuschnigg—who delivered a speech to the Catholic demonstrators and subsequently marched through the streets behind their columns—that matters had now come to a head and that the reconstruction of the Government was inevitable. As soon as the new Cabinet had been formed Dr. von Schuschnigg sent telegrams to Signor Mussolini and Dr. Goebbels, assuring them of his unvarying friendship and stressing that he was "firmly determined to adhere to the approved policy, based on the protocols of Rome."—Trans-Ocean Service.

## FLAG FLIES FOR CENTENARIAN

Mrs. Roberts, of Godmanchester, Huntingdonshire, recently celebrated her 100th birthday. She was born in Somerset-street, Aldgate, London. The flag on the Town Hall was flown in her honour.

domestic slaves, at a minimum cost to their owners.

Britain has succeeded in stamping out domestic slavery in her African colonies, though in some cases it has taken long years to effect. Then why not in her Asiatic colonies as well? A further point to be noted is that Hong Kong and the Straits Settlements are not to be ranked with other colonies which possessed a large indigenous population at the time they were taken over. Both Singapore and Hong Kong were almost uninhabited islands when the British took possession; and the hundreds of thousands of Chinese who have since then made their home there have elected to do so because of the protection afforded them by the British flag and British laws.

It has been said that no slave can breathe British air. Should not this apply to every part of our far-flung Empire?

## Here There and Everywhere

GENTLEMAN GILLIE

An interesting Highland character recently passed away in Mr. George Macpherson Fitzroy. A descendant of Charles II through the Dukes of St. Albans, he was on his mother's side related to the Macphersons of Cluny.

After an adventurous but unprosperous life as a sailor and gold digger he returned to his native Badenoch.

There he acted for years as a millie on the estates of his uncle, the late Cluny Macpherson.

"Squattling," as he called it, in his own ancestral house of Craighdu, he latterly found employment as a mole-catcher and salmon fisher.

Yet the neighbours of "Master George"—as the clansmen called him in infancy and continued to do till his death—never failed to greet him with that respect which Highlanders give to the well-born, irrespective of fortune.

DICKENS-LITERARY DOMESTIC

One eminent novelist would have regarded the Pickwick Centenary Celebrations with a jaundiced eye. Least the exuberance of the Pickwickians who were jolly together recently should become too Dickensian, this depreciatory judgment, delivered in a letter about one of the writer's own works, was submitted by a London Commentator.

I am afraid that the critics will not find out how good it is while I am on the top of the earth. I would forgive them if I could only bring it home to them that Dickens and Thackeray, Eliot and the residue were not writers, but merely literary domestics. The critic was George Moore.

## Your Daily Smile!

Tea on the beach puts the sand in sandwiches.

The Old Man: "Well, my boy, so you intend to take my daughter away from her poor old father." The Young Man: "Not at all, sir. We are coming to live with you."

## TRANSPARENT

Foreman (testing the wall of new house): "I'm speaking quietly, Bill. Can you hear me?" Bill (on the other side): "Ear you? That's a good 'un! I can see you in three places."

## CRUSADE AGAINST TIPPING

ORGANISED SYSTEM OF GRAFT

HABITUAL TRAVELLERS SPEND SMALL FORTUNES

(By Sir Percival Phillips)

WHY not a crusade to abolish tipping? The public are heartily sick of submitting to the system, and the recommendation that it be suppressed, contained in the last volume of "The Survey of London Life and Labour," will be received with general approval.

I myself have spent a small fortune in tips in going about the world. One is compelled to pay tribute at almost every step or find obstruction and much unpleasantness. Even the short journey from London to Paris is made irritating by the outstretched hand.

Once aboard the Channel boat, and the harbour porter satisfied (call it 2s.), alert stewards whose courtesy is equalled only by their ingenuity hover about with ingratiating smiles. Will you have your money changed? Has your passport been seen to and can they take charge of it? Is this your luggage? If so, it will be guarded against thieves. Do you wish a porter at Calais?

## Expects To Be Paid

This last query always elicits my admiration. The inexperienced traveller naturally says, "Yes." If the steward is already booked to carry luggage to the Paris train he will come up cheerfully with a Calais man in a blue smock and say, "I've got your porter, sir." And he expects to be paid for the introduction.

You pay the French porter for carrying your bags to the train and another porter for putting them in the luggage rack. The charge for luncheon includes 10 per cent. for service. And then you have still only begun to tip. If you are travelling beyond Paris in a sleeping car you are taxed—as by right—a fat percentage of the cost of your berth as "service" for the attendant.

Our good nature, which can also be described as a form of cowardice, is responsible for much of the over-tipping at home. Why should such public utilities as lifts and cloak-rooms with three washbasins be looked upon by the persons in charge as a commercial asset for their own exploitation?

## Continental System

The percentage system on the Continent tends to diminish the evil. Mussolini was the pioneer in compelling hotel servants and their like to refuse personal gratuities.

I have had tips refused by chamber-maids and valets of Italian hotels on the ground that they were pledged to accept their share of the common pool and nothing more. Of late they have shown signs of weakening, and gratuities bestowed unostentatiously find their home in a closed palm.

The system works well in many French hotels. One I have in mind is staffed by servants who are as polite and attentive to the client who lives within the percentage agreement as those who go beyond it. Yet it is undeniable that a few extra francs will make a subtle difference in the treatment the visitor receives.

## In America

Tips are high in the United States for certain services, but the field is more limited. A train guard or a lifeman would be astonished, perhaps amused, if offered a gratuity for doing his ordinary work.

One of the most troublesome problems of a voyage is the distribution of adequate tips to the right people.

In the Atlantic liners, and in British ships plying to Far Eastern ports, it is a case of every steward for himself, and heaven help the weak-minded passenger.

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## "BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



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Patricia Ellis and Lyle Talbot are the main stars in the Warner Bros. production, "The Case of the Lucky Legs," which will soon be shown at the Queen's Theatre.



A scene from "Thanks A Million," featuring Dick Powell, Ann Dvorak, Patsy Kelly and Fred Allen. It is the current attraction at the Oriental Theatre.

## Short Shots

THEAT highly popular movie magazine "Photoplay" has awarded its Gold Medal to the M.G.M. release "Naughty Marietta." This was the musical which brought added fame to lovely Jeanette MacDonald and made the cinema-goers "Edgy-conscious." This Medal is given by popular votes from readers in every part of the world, so that is the reason the 1935 picture receives its award in 1936.

Marlene Dietrich has made the colour test successfully, and is on location with the David Selznick outfit in the Arizona desert "shooting" the scenes for "The Garden of Allah," which will be in the new "Technicolor."

Robert Montgomery is attempting something entirely new in his role in "The Suicide Club." The parts of the two principal characters, which are played by this tremendously popular star and Rosalind Russell, are enacted as children by Virginia Weidler and David Holt.

James Stewart, who enacted the role of the heroine's brother in "Rose Marie," has been given a contract to play juvenile leads in future productions for M.G.M.

Sylvia Sydney and Spencer Tracy have the leading roles in the M.G.M. "Job Rule," while Lionel Barrymore, Maureen O'Sullivan and Frank Lawton are the principals in "The Witch of Timbuktu."

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Peter Lorre and Marian Marsh are in the Columbia production, "Crime and Punishment," which will be shown at the King's Theatre shortly.



Ricardo Cortez and Lily Damita have important parts in the Warner Bros. production, "Frisco Kid," which will soon be shown at the Queen's Theatre.

## SHIRLEY TEMPLE TRIUMPHS IN "CAPTAIN JANUARY"

GLADYS SWARTHOUT TEAMED WITH JAN KIEPURA IN OPERETTA

FRANCHOT TONE AND JOSEPH CALLEIA IN STRONG DRAMA, "EXCLUSIVE STORY"

By Diane

ALEXANDER Hall directs the Paramount picture, "Give Us This Night," which stars two famous singers—Jan Kiepura and Gladys Swarthout. This is the first full-length operetta—a lilted romance set against the sun-flooded and moon-lit background of Sorrento by the Sea. An outstanding episode is the sequence from a specially-written opera on the "Romeo and Juliet" theme. Kormgold's beautiful music (and the lyric by Oscar Hammerstein, who gave the world such hits as "Desert Song," "Lover Come Back to Me," "Old Man River" and "Indian Love Call," to mention a few) was composed for the two famous opera stars, and they do it full justice.

It is a pity that Phillip Merivale was chosen to play the role of the composer; he hails from the London and New York stages, but is hardly screen material—from a photographic angle. The story tells how a famous opera singer hears a young fisherman singing and, with the composer who loves her, helps him to fame and success. This leads to the usual consequences, but the story hardly matters, as Jan Kiepura, who started the successful cycle of high-class musicals with "Tell Me Tonight," sings divinely and Miss Swarthout has a far better chance to shine than she had in her previous effort, "Rose of the Rancho."

The well-chosen cast consists of Benny Baker, Sidney Toler, William Collier, Sr., John Milten, Michele Burani, with an outstanding hit made by Alan Mowbray in a new characterisation—for him—that of a once-famous tenor. The settings and photography are specially fine in this production. (Queen's).

### "Follow The Fleet"

Look out for the next great event—the musical of the greatest dancing duo on stage or screen, Rogers and Astaire. This R.K.O. chalks up another riotous hit for the two idols, and their dancing is more amazing than ever, with songs by Irving Berlin that will sound round the world. In addition to the two well-loved stars we have newcomer Harriet Hilliard, while Randolph Scott does as well as he did in "Roberta." Coming to the Alhambra on May 23.

### "Captain Blood"

The Warner Bros. big picture of the year is showing, by special request, for one day—Friday—at the Queen's. This rousing tale of pirates, even if hardly credible, has movement, romance and excitement, with splendid performances from the new star, Errol Flynn, Basil Rathbone (in a far-too-small-part) and crowds more. (Queen's).

### "Yellow Dust"

A real thriller of the adventurous days when men fought for gold, won and lost, loved and lost, fought hard and long, some succeeding and most falling by the way. Richard Dix is perfectly cast as the hero, while Lella Hyams, (who is too seldom seen to please me), with Moroni Olsen, Onslow Stevens, Andy Clyde and others make this an evening of real enjoyment—provided you like this type of play. (Alhambra).

### "Exclusive Story"

Franchot Tone and Madge Evans in strong melodrama. Pity the story is rather improbable, but the film is exciting and M.G.M. were wise in the choice of artists to interpret it. Joseph Calleia is easily becoming the greatest "menace" on the screen, and it is good to see likeable Stuart Erwin again as a crusading reporter.

The story has to do with what is known as the "Numbers Racket." In case you do not know what this means, it is a daily lottery run in New York's Harlem, and there are reports that those who run it have underworld connections, these men forcing the small store-owners to become their agents. It is through the lovely daughter, (Madge Evans) of one of these owners (J. Farrell

Macdonald) that the fraud is exposed. Franchot Tone is the newspaper's attorney, and it is needless to add that he falls for pretty heroine—despite the fact that he is already engaged to Louise Henry.

Calleia does not believe in faking his fights, and the highlight of the film is the set-to between him and Tone. This Maltese-born (British subject) actor is building himself up such a reputation that he has parts for months ahead in different pictures. Franchot Tone, husband of the gorgeous girl Joan Crawford, has attained a position on the screen that is second to none.

The film is interesting, and the actors make the most of the material, although, with the exception of those of Calleia and Erwin, the parts are not worthy of the two principals. Robert Barrett, J. Carroll Naish, Margaret Irving and others are responsible for a good showing. For those who favour exciting newspaper-film-stories this one is recommended. (Alhambra).

### "The Case Of The Lucky Legs"

Welcome again to that interesting personality "Perry Mason," famous lawyer-detective, and



Shirley Temple dances to tinkling tunes in "Captain January," which will be shown at the King's and Alhambra Theatres to-morrow.

AFTER I have seen a preview of a Shirley Temple picture, I find it difficult to refrain from using too many ejaculations of sheer delight. The "Miracle Child," has just turned seven, and that event meant adulation from the world, while gifts poured into the lovely home of this most adored of little girls. To anyone except a child with the divine spark of genius, this would mean almost ruin, but behind her stands quietly, her guiding hand and biggest help, a pretty woman, Gertrude Temple, mother of the World's Sweetheart. Mrs. Temple is the one mother who is welcomed by the staff, executives and directors in Shirley's pictures.

Ask any of them and they will tell you that this child remains unspoiled—her greatest asset—simply because of the hidden power of the mother and her great faith in her "Precious." She teaches her the lines and how to say them, and Shirley follows perfectly. This is all the more surprising when it is known that Mrs. Temple does not come from theatrical stock as so many film mothers do. She is the wife of a successful bank manager, has two sons and this one treasured girl, Darryl Zanuck, the "Taiwan of Taiwan" at the Twentieth Century-Fox studio knows that if Shirley becomes precocious like the usual child-actresses—if she realises how famous and loved she is—that it will mean her greatest charm is gone. That is the reason she is closely guarded, and kept as much as possible from contact with crowds of little girls of her own age.

Her companion is her "stand-in," but Mrs. Temple hardly allows her out of her sight, giving up her life to caring for her famous daughter, and she is justly rewarded. Picture after picture, but Shirley has the secret of keeping as fresh and unspoiled as she was in the memorable "Little Miss Marker." Now, in her latest "Captain January" we have her as delightful as ever. I do not say "she has never been better" because I think Shirley long ago reached the perfection mark.

The story about a sea-waif who is rescued and loved by an old lighthouse-keeper (Guy Kibbee) needs no telling, but it gives wonderful opportunities to three people to shine. Apart from Shirley, Guy Kibbee has one of the best parts in his screen career, and Slim Summerville is a surprise. You will not soon forget their burlesque of the Sextette from "Lucia." No "dubbing" for Shirley—and she amazes, as she likewise does in "Asleep in the Deep."

I had to applaud after her intricate dance with Buddy Ebsen—about equalised by the Rogers-Astaire duo. Watch carefully those intricate steps so neatly and perfectly performed by these two. Then there is the highly amusing examination scene and Shirley's fantastic yarn of her adventures in China. David Butler, the director, has concentrated more upon comedy than drama, but he allows a few scenes that bring the tears, only to be chased away in a moment by a laugh.

There are some grand tunes, "At the Codfish Ball," "Early Bird" and the poignant "The Right Somebody to Love," with a sequence that will appeal to the children. Pathetic scenes when the "Truant Officer" (Sara Haden) decides the child is not being brought up in the proper atmosphere and needs schooling; laughter when the crane dances for Shirley; and you will share in the ordeal of our little heroine and her two loved friends at the examination.

The picture is refreshing. Shirley will win all hearts, and you will come away from the King's and Alhambra feeling that life is worth living, when the screen can produce gay, light and cheerful pictures like this one, and give us a lovely little seven-year-old girl to bring us untold pleasure. Not to be missed.—King's and Alhambra from Saturday.

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— TO-MORROW —

Jan KIEPURA and Gladys SWARTHOUT

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## SHARE MARKET

The following was the list of local share quotations issued to-day:—

Banks

H.K. Bank \$1,565 sa.

H.K. Bank (London) \$1,058 1/2 n.

Chartered Bank \$14 1/2 n.

Mercantile Bank A. and R. \$30 1/2 n.

Mercantile Bank C. \$135 1/2 n.

Bank of East Asia \$73 n.

Insurance

Canton Ins. \$275 n.

Union Ins. \$525 b. 530 sa.

China Underwriters \$1 n.

China Fire Ins. \$430 n.

H.K. Fire Ins. \$250 n.

International Assee. \$33 1/2 n.

Shipping

Douglases \$36 n.

H.K. Steamships \$4 n.

Indo-Chinas (Pref.) \$30 n.

Indo-Chinas (Def.) \$20 n.

Shell (Bearer) 98 1/2 n.

Union Waterboats \$12.20 n.

Mining

Antamoks \$2.90/2.92 sa.

Balatocs \$21 1/2 n.

Benguet Consolidated \$15.35 b.

Benguet Exploration 22 cts. b.

24 cts. sa.

Big Wedge 32 cts. b.

Demonstration 33 cts. sa.

Gold Creek 15 cts. n.

Gold River 3 1/2 cts. n.

Iogons \$1.20 b.

I.X.L. \$1.35 b. \$1.85 sa.

Salacots 13 cts. b. 14 cts. sa.

Kailin Mining Ad. 11/6 n.

Langkats (Single) \$8.10 n.

Masbate 85 cts. b.

Shai Exploration \$4 1/2 n.

Shanghai Loans \$4 n.

Raubs \$11 n.

San Mauricio \$1.20 n.

United Paracale 97 cts. b.

94/95 cts. sa.

Venz: Goldfield \$4 b.

Docks, etc.

H.K. and K. Wharves \$90 b.

H.K. and W. Docks \$9 n.

Providents (old) \$1.15 b.

Providents (New) 20 cts. n.

Hong Kew \$1.85 n.

New Engineering \$4 n.

Shanghai Docks \$1.00 n.

Cotton Mills

Ewo Cottons \$3.33 1/2 n.

Shanghai Cottons (old) \$4.74 b.

Shanghai Cottons (new) \$4.33 1/2 n.

Zoong Sings \$1.12 n.

Wing On Textiles \$3.25 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H.K. and S. Hotel \$4.60 b.

\$4.55 sa.

H.K. Lands \$31 1/2 n.

H.K. Lands 4% Debentures 100% b.

Shanghai Lands \$1.15 b. \$1.12 n.

Metropolitan Lands \$1.10 n.

Humphreys \$3 1/2 n.

H.K. Realities \$4 1/2 n.

Chinese Estates \$32 n.

China Realities \$4 n.

China Debentures \$4.60 n.

Public Utilities

H.K. Tramways \$11.15 b. \$11.20 n.

Peak Trams (old) \$7 n.

Peak Trams (new) \$3 n.

Star Ferries \$38 1/2 n.

Yauwatti Ferries \$19 n.

C. Lights (old) \$10.80 b.

C. Lights (new) \$7.40 b.

H.K. Electric \$51 b.

Macao Electric \$20 n.

Sandakan Lights \$3.30 n.

Telephones (old) \$25 b. \$25.10 n.

Telephones (new) \$9 n.

China Buses \$1.14 n.

Singapore Tractions 23/- b.

Singapore Tractions Pref. 28/- n.

Industrials

Malaban Sugars \$3.40 n.

Cald., Macg. (Ord.) \$1.19 1/2 n.

Cald., Macg. (Pref.) \$1.15 n.

Canton Ice \$1 1/2 n.

Cements \$10 n.

H.K. Ropes \$4.40 n.

Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms \$19 1/2/20 sa.

Watsons \$3.45 b. \$3.45 sa.

Lane, Crawford \$3 1/2 n.

Mackintoshes \$5 n.

Sinceres \$1.30 n.

Wm. Powells 50 cts. n.

Wing On (H.K.) \$50 n.

Miscellaneous

Entertainments \$2.90 n.

S. C. Enterprises \$1.35 n.

Macao "Greyhounds" \$2 n.

Constructions (old) \$1 1/2 n.

Constructions (new) 30 cts. b.

Vibro Piling \$4 n.

Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G3Bds. 93 3/4 n.

H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 5 1/2% prem. b.

H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan par. b.

Wallace Harpers \$4 n.

## LOCAL DOLLAR STEADY

Silver Prices Rise

The local dollar is steady, opening on demand this morning at 1/3 1/2 d.

"Spot" silver advanced 1/4 to 20-9/16, while "forward" also rose 1/4 to 20 1/2.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at \$-U.S.\$4.95, as compared with \$-U.S.\$4.97, while the New York on London cross-rate was quoted at \$-U.S.\$4.96-1/16, as compared with \$-U.S.\$4.96 1/2.

Wheat:—The crop prospects and technical position of the market suggest purchases on dips for moderate profits. Total sales: 16,035,000 bushels.

Cotton:—It is reported that approximately 1,000,000 bales of loan cotton have been sold. An announcement is expected to be made shortly to the effect that no more loan cotton will be sold. The tone of this market is firm. There is a considerable amount of speculative short covering in October delivery and also some heavy Liverpool straddle buying of October options. Rains are needed in the Eastern Belt and in North-West Texas.

Flash:—The Packard Motor Company declared a dividend of 50 cents per share.

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co. have received the following quotations in Straits currency from Singapore for Raw Rubber.

Buyers.

Spot 25 1/2 Up 1/4

July/Sept. 26 Up 1/4

Oct./Dec. 26 1/2 Up 1/4

Jan./March 26 1/2 Up 1/4

Market:—Firm: Tendency Upwards.

BERLIN SHARE MARKET

Berlin, To-day. — The share market was buoyant again yesterday. Many investors who had sold out replenished their stock, many popular shares thus rising substantially. The chief reason for the sudden resumption of activity is said to have been the favourable economic reports and the publication of several satisfactory balance sheets. Fixed interest securities were quiet, with prices firm. Call money stood at 2 per cent.—Trans-Ocean Service.

REICHSMARK QUOTATIONS

Berlin, To-day. — The Reichsmark was quoted yesterday without guarantee, at:—New York, 40.35; Paris, 612; Amsterdam, 59.575; and London, 12.31. Paris quoted the Pound sterling at 75.25 to 75.30, and the U.S. dollar at 15.152 to 15.155. — Trans-Ocean Service.

COMMODITY PRICES

The following quotations have been received by Reuters.

Prev. Yesterday's Closing

New York Cotton:—

May 11.58 11.62

July 11.29 11



## LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

It is announced that all the tickets for the H.K.V.D.C. annual dinner and prize distribution have been sold, and positively no admittance can be given to those who have not bought tickets, which must be presented for admission. Arrangements are being made for Volunteers who have no tickets to be admitted after dinner at 9 p.m. for the prize-giving and concert.

One case of cerebro-spinal fever was reported to the Health authorities in the 24 hours ended on Wednesday.

There will be no Dinner Dance at the Repulse Bay Hotel to-morrow, but the usual Tea Dance will be held on Sunday at 5.00 p.m.

Pau Yun-wai, driver of Car No. 1099, was this morning summoned before Mr. W. Schofield for failing to report an accident at the junction of Queen's Road East and Arsenal Street on Monday, May 2, and with failing to stop after the accident. The case was adjourned to May 21.

## BUDGET SECRETS ENQUIRY

## Colonial Secretary Testifies

London, To-day. Mr. J. H. Thomas, the Colonial Secretary, was the principal witness yesterday before the judicial tribunal enquiring into the alleged leakage of budget secrets. He said that in view of the rumours in circulation, he had urged upon his Cabinet colleagues the fullest investigation and had himself sought an opportunity to appear before the tribunal. In the course of his evidence Mr. Thomas, in reply to a question by his counsel as to whether he had "at any time disclosed to any person any information relating to the contents of the budget," said: "Absolutely none." The tribunal, which also took evidence yesterday from a number of persons concerned in the alleged leakage of budget secrets, will continue the enquiry to-day. — British Wireless Service.

## WITHOUT DUE CARE

## Private Car Driver Fined

Judgment in the case in which Mr. P. de N. Ramus is charged with driving car No. 2016 in Lockhart Road on April 25 without due care and caution, was delivered by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning, when he found the defendant guilty and fined him \$50.

Mr. Schofield held that from the evidence and calculations made, the defendant was driving at about 39 miles an hour, and as Lockhart Road is a busy thoroughfare careful driving was necessary.

## THE ENGLISH FORUM

## First Picnic Of Season

The Hong Kong English Forum will open their summer programme with a launch picnic to Big Wave Bay to-morrow, the launch to leave Blake Pier at 2.30 p.m. Tickets may be obtained from members of the Forum or on the launch. Tea will be served.

Those responsible for the arrangements have mapped out an elaborate programme for the entertainment of the guests and a happy time is being looked forward to. This picnic will be the forerunner of many more to follow during the summer season, and it is hoped to stage a few moonlight picnics as the season progresses.

## TWO GERMAN PROFESSORS FOR CHINA

Nanking, To-day.—Two professors of the Breslau Technical High School have been appointed to posts at the Tung Chi University in Woosung. They are Dr. Alfred Berrer, ferro-concrete and bridge building, and Dr. Edwin Feyer, instructor in survey work. — Trans-Ocean Service.

The annual meeting of the Peak Church will be held in St. John's Cathedral Hall on Thursday, May 23, at 5.30 p.m.

Sergeant R. Oliver, of the Hong Kong Police, returned from Home leave aboard the P. and O. liner Ramputra yesterday, accompanied by his wife and family. He has been posted for duty at the Water Police Station.

A meeting of members of the Hong Kong Aquarium Society was held at the Biology Department, Hong Kong University, on Wednesday evening, when the draft constitution and by-laws of the society were approved, and a committee was appointed, as well as a small sub-committee to decide on purchases for the library.

The R.E.O.C.A. will be holding the second of this season's Whist Drives and Tombolas in Wellington Barracks on Monday next, commencing at 8.30 p.m. The Tombola will begin at approximately 10.20 p.m. The admission to the Whist Drives is 50 cents, inclusive of refreshments.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday morning, Mr. E. Hims-worth granted a 48 hours' remand, on the application of Det-Sgt. A. Kinnear, when an unemployed seaman, Tang Cheung, was charged with armed robbery, together with others not in custody, on a trading junk near Saushimou on April 29. Defendant and his companions were accused of using a rifle, revolvers and knives, and stealing 50 sacks of rice, two sacks of beans, and a quantity of clothing, including ten suits.

## THEFT OF WILD TREES

## Three Chinese Fined

Three Chinese were charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning with having in their possession wild trees, and were heavily fined. Wan Shun, unemployed, was fined \$50, in default six weeks' hard labour, for possession of a pine tree valued at \$35 at Stanley. Sergeant Dall said that the tree was about 16 feet in height, and when arrested, defendant had a chopper with him.

Tam Mun and Chan Man were both fined \$25, in default one month's hard labour, for possession of six trees valued at \$12.

## NEW N.Y.K. VENTURE

## "Kashii Maru" On View To-morrow

With reference to the circular published on page 13, we are now informed by the N.Y.K. Line that the Kashii Maru will be open for inspection to-morrow from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., owing to her late arrival in port, and not this afternoon. Steam-launches will run between the vessel and Blake Pier every half hour, beginning from 10.30 a.m.

## GALA DAY FOR SPORT

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tions, aspirants for the honour of representing the Colony in this "unofficial Interport" have already started training and may be seen in action every evening either at the V. R. C. or one of the Chinese bathing clubs at North Point.

TRACK AND FIELD EVENTS. It must indeed be a gratifying feature to those responsible for the entertainment of the Filipino athletes that the South China Athletic Association have also agreed to "accommodate them in the track and field events," and these will be staged on the S. C. A. A. ground on the afternoon of June 1. Basketball matches will also be played, the authorities at the Chinese Y. M. C. A. having undertaken to provide the necessary opposition.

So far as the boxing matches are concerned, nothing has as yet been arranged. It is to be hoped, however, that suitable opponents will be found for the Filipino stars, as it is a long time since we have seen amateurs from other parts of the world in action here.

## BALDWIN RELIES REASON

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Regarding the Italo-Ethiopian dispute, Mr. Baldwin said that, acting from no personal feelings but from a desire to fulfil the Covenant obligations, the British Government had tried to be a good League member and had done more than anyone else. Therefore he was not disposed, and did not intend, to accept blame for the fact that those efforts had failed to prevent the war or materially to affect the progress of the hostilities.

In the Italo-Ethiopian dispute the Government had been prepared, if necessary, to go the whole length which sanctions would have led them, if the other Powers in the League had been ready to accompany them. But experience had made it plain that to be effective in promoting the peace of Europe and of the world they must have secured the safety of their own land, people and Empire, and therefore must proceed to remedy the deficiencies in defence.

## ESSENTIAL PART

It was no good making up their minds to take effective action in support of the League unless they were in a position to take it. It was no good deciding on economic and financial sanctions if they were not going to back them up. Military sanctions were an essential part of collective security.

"We will try out collective security as far as we can all go together, but I for one will not despair if on this occasion it fails." The question was, were the nations of Europe ready to play their part, because in collective security there could be no limited liability, no sleeping partnership. Collective security did not mean that all the work was to be done by the British Navy for other nations.

## THE ONLY CHARGE

The Prime Minister concluded by declaring that the well-being of the British people depended upon the peace of Europe and of the world. Isolation was impossible. No responsible person could believe that Britain, any more than France or Germany, could remain indifferent to the fate of any of her neighbours.

The Prime Minister was asked in the House of Commons yesterday if the Government regarded Ethiopia as possessing full independence, and if not, in whom they regarded the sovereignty of Ethiopian territory as vested. The Hon. Mr. Baldwin, replying for the Government, said that the only charge which His Majesty's Government had so far recognised in the status of Ethiopia was that a large part of the kingdom was under Italian military occupation. — British Wireless Service.

## FORMER GOVERNOR ON HONEYMOON

## Hon. Mr. George White Arrives Here

Among the passengers who disembarked from the s.s. President Coolidge this morning was the Hon. Mr. George White, former Governor of Ohio, and Mrs. White, who are on their honeymoon.

The Hon. Mr. White declined to discuss the American political situation with the exception of saying that it was his belief that Mr. Roosevelt would be re-elected, "which is a good thing for the United States," he concluded.

The Hon. Mr. and Mrs. White are joining the s.s. Rajputana, and will sail for Marseilles, visiting Paris before they return to Washington.

## CORRESPONDENCE

## Another Museum Piece

(To The Editor, "China Mail")

Sir,—Your numismatic correspondent "Dey" needn't be so snooty about it. I have a genuine 10-cent piece too.

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## WEATHER REPORT

A feeble anti-cyclonic area covers China, and a shallow depression is situated in the Pacific to the east of Tokyo. South-east or variable winds, light to moderate; fair generally. was the forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

To-day's Complete Short Story

## THE OTHER BED

By Lynn Dacre

"WE'RE waiting, old man."

Linthwaite smiled across at Denver the engineer, whose tanned face and faded blue eyes told of exposure to glaring deserts and merciless suns. The four men, friends of long standing, had dined at Linthwaite's pleasant house in Linchester Gardens and were now yarning over vintage port by the fire in the study.

After touching lightly on a diversity of topics, the talk dwelled at length on a series of uncanny and mysterious experiences contributed by readers to an evening paper. Someone had suggested that each should relate the strangest adventure that had occurred to him.

Risby, the plump stockbroker, had shaken his bullet head. His had been an uneventful life, a thing of stocks and shares. Linthwaite, in his role of host, elected to keep his contribution to last. Fullerton, lean and dark in the shadows to the left of the hearth, held his peace. And it had fallen on the engineer to set the ball rolling.

Denver started out of a brown study. "Oh, yes, of course. Sorry. Well, my experience is mysterious enough in all truth, but I'm afraid it's not very satisfactory as a story. It ends in the air, as it were. In deepest mystery."

"Wouldn't be a mystery otherwise, would it?" Fullerton put in from the shadow. "Perhaps one of us will be able to solve it." "I hope one of you can," the engineer said full-heartedly. "What about cuttin' out the cackle and comin' to the 'losses'?" the stockbroker urged.

## FRANK MURPHY ARRIVES

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both parties, and the present outlook in the Islands was extremely encouraging.

## BRIGHT PROGRESS

"Politically, the Commonwealth Government is doing extremely well, and their success is manifested every day through the leadership of H. E., the Hon. Mr. Manuel L. Quezon, President of the Commonwealth, whose sound policies, both political and economic, are playing their part. It is extremely heartening to see the way the Government is going."

"There are difficulties, of course, but these attend all nations and will no doubt be overcome in due course. There are great jobs to be performed yet and the people have faced and are still facing their problems in the right way."

"The Philippine Islands have always wanted their independence and they should have it, and I cannot see any other policy for the U. S. Government to follow than their present one."

Asked his opinion concerning enquiries in the United States Senate regarding what would happen when the Americans stepped out of the Philippines and left the Islands for someone else to step into, High Commissioner Murphy declined to make any comments, stating that such statements were made every day and it was not his job to comment upon them. He had his own views on the subject, having been Governor-General for a long period and in his present capacity as High Commissioner.

Concluding, High Commissioner Murphy stated that the outlook for the Philippine people was very bright and progress in the right direction was being made daily.

He said it was his intention to call upon His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldeott, whose acquaintance he had not yet had the pleasure of making. It was his original intention to go up to Canton, but time did not permit the journey, but he would no doubt make the trip on his return voyage.

Included in the High Commissioner's party are Miss Eleanor Baumgardner, Mr. Edward G. Kemp, Mr. and Mrs. William Teahan and Col. Frederick W. Manley of the United States Army.

Denver eyed the blue-grey smoke curling upwards from his cigar, apparently marshalling his thoughts.

It happened twenty-five years ago (he began slowly). I was just back from India after three years' bridge-building. I had arranged to meet my wife, whom I had married on my previous leave, in town for a few days' junketing before we travelled north to her people's place in Scotland.

## TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "Dark Stranger," by Doris Amy Ibbotson.

The ship docked earlier than expected and it meant that I had to pass a night alone before she joined me. I went to the hotel, a vast tenement of a place near Southampton Row, where we were to stay, and booked a double room. I dined in the grill that evening and afterwards looked up a pal at his club. As I remained night when I got back to the hotel with him till late, it was mid-hotel.

Collecting the key from the office, I ascended to my room on the second floor. It was the usual rectangular box furnished in the usual impersonal way. The window overlooked a side street and the door opened at the foot of the twin beds. Both, I noticed, were turned down in readiness for their occupants.

After undressing quickly, I switched off the lights, and slipped between the sheets of the bed nearer the window. I was doctored and dropped into heavy, dreamless slumber immediately. I awoke with a sense of the unusual of something not being right. I realised what was amiss in a few seconds. The light over the dressing-table beyond the other bed was burning.

Yet I clearly remembered turning them all out and cursing an unimaginative architect for not placing a switch by the bedside.

Thinking that perhaps a maid had brought in tea, I glanced at my watch. It was half-past four, which put paid to that explanation.

I rose on an elbow and looked about the room. A bulge, the outlines of a figure, under the eiderdown of the other bed caught my eye.

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## BUT NO SPEECH MADE IN CHAMBER

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fighting planes are landing in quick succession, while stores are being brought by lorries.

In underground excavations near the aerodrome large quantities of fuel and spare parts were found, and also the archives of the Negus. In a forest nearby were found four aeroplanes, one of them being a Breda, presented to the Negus when he was last in Italy.

## RECREATING THE CAPITAL

Asmara: The transformation of Addis Ababa into the up-to-date central city of the new Italian African Empire is one of the principal questions now occupying the attention of the Italian authorities in the former Abyssinian capital, according to despatches reaching here. The civil Governor of Addis Ababa, Signor Botti, has already elaborated a scheme for the improvement of the hygienic conditions, while public transport services will shortly be organised.

The third task set themselves by the authorities is the construction of a system of canalisation. A reliable police force, the first units of which are now being formed will also be created. — Trans-Ocean Service.

## SCOUTING IN HONG KONG

The April issue of "Hong Kong" being "News and Notes of Hong Kong Scouting," has just reached us. It is issued from the Scout Headquarters and deals with all the scouting activities both in the Colony and Kowloon. The April number contains a special message from the local Commissioner, and the third of a series of articles on "Citizenship," which should be of great value.

## CATHAY 泰國 BALLROOM

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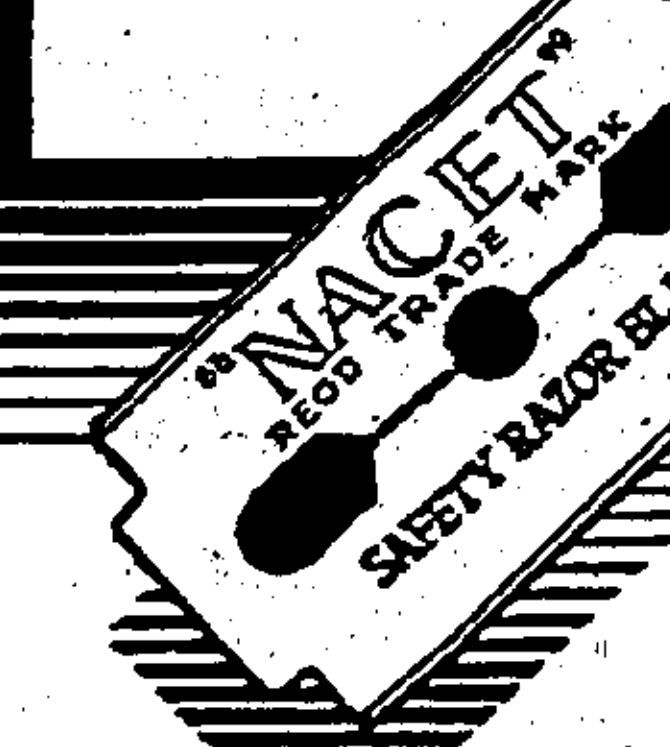
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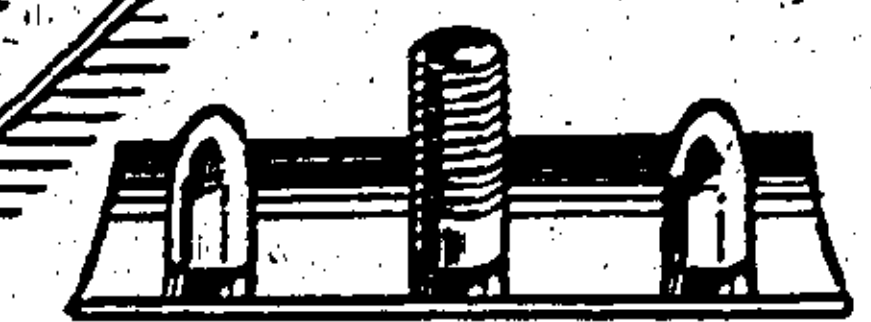
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## BOB WALLACE OPENS SEASON WELL

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C. G. Silva, with his new No. 3 — G. M. P. Remedios, the Shanghai Interporter — had a comfortable win over Mair after trailing up to the 11th head, while Dick Alves got away to a flying start against Hollands, and his lead of 21 to 1 on the eighth head carried him through quite nicely.

### Dallah Missed

The Indians were without the services of Dallah in their match against the Civil Servants, but even with him I do not think they could have won.

M. Y. Adal was the only skip to win for them, and that by only the narrowest margin, and Madar certainly had a pretty rough time against the home team's popular Hon. Secretary, Jack Deakin. He managed to save his face with a 4 and 3 in the last two heads when the card showed 32-4 against him, but of course it was all over bar the shouting by that time.

The Kowloon Dock team also had a rather thin time against Craighengower "D" and, although Mitchell's rink were only two shots down to Gill, both McKeivie and Victor Ramsey suffered big defeats. The latter's rink held Field's four very well until round about the tea interval when they went all to pieces.

### Field's Two Sevens!

Field had scored a seven before then and he had the temerity to repeat the dose at the seventeenth head, eventually running out a winner by 19 shots.

The most surprising result in the Second Division was the defeat of Club de Recreio by the Police team; and that there was no fluke in the result is proved by the fact that they were up all been sadly neglected. This is to be deplored, as club reputations round, for a total win of 14 shots.

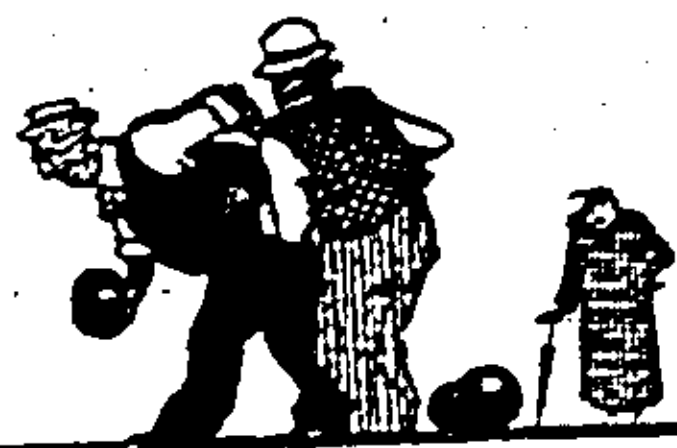
The Hong Kong Electric had up their strongest possible team, but they just went under to the Football Club's second team, thanks largely to a brilliant recovery on "Jake" Selby's rink — he got a 5 and 4 on the last two heads to pull the game out of the fire and to give his men a very creditable victory by seven shots.

The Yacht club nearly broke their "duck" at the expense of the K. C. C., but were just beaten on the post and lost by a solitary shot. In a very low-scoring match Overly scored on the last five heads to lose by six to Costello, this was, however, counterbalanced by Jimmy Jack's win over Bentley, but it needed the two fives which Lammert secured to bring the points over the water.

### Triple Won

The triple win which I predicted for Craighengower duly came off, as their third team had the better of their friends across the way by 14 shots, of which Ward secured a verdict of nine. From young "Harry Westlake."

In the other corner of the Valley the junior champions were playing the Football Club's first team and they managed to collect both points thanks to a good win on the rink skipped by Rose, which finished 16 shots up against Rodger, who played a very sound game though up against it most of the time.



## LAWN BOWLS TEAMS

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### K.C.C.

W. Mulcahy, A. Nissim, V. C. Lebrun, J. M. Jack (skip).  
S. Houghton, W. W. Hirst, T. W. Carr, L. E. Lammert (skip).  
W. Fletcher, J. Dinnen, A. Sparr, H. Overy (skip).

### Football Club "A"

F. P. Anslow, E. A. Trengrove, R. H. Peggs, J. Russell (skip).  
A. McKellar, G. S. Graver, J. S. Beach, C. E. Robertson (skip).  
G. E. Stevens, J. Dobson, F. H. W. Haynes, J. Rodger (skip).

### Football Club "B"

S. Strange, T. R. Rowell, A. Humphreys, E. J. Edwards (skip).  
C. W. H. Wilson, P. C. Morgan, E. S. Carter, J. A. E. Selby (skip).  
J. H. Gelling, E. L. Strange, V. A. Walker, A. Chapman (skip).

### Recreio

J. Luz, F. A. Xavier, A. E. Barros, C. H. Basto (skip).  
F. A. Machado, J. M. S. Rosario, J. F. Ribeiro, P. A. Yvanovich (skip).  
C. M. Silva, C. E. Pereira, L. Silva, F. X. Soares (skip).



After being declared winner of the \$5,000 Eddie Cantor prize, Lloyd Lewis of Plattsburg, Mo., came to New York to collect. But, in the meantime, it was discovered that he had copied his peace essay from a magazine article by Dr. Frank Kingdon of Newark University. Lewis admitted this, and is now choosing another winner.

## CRAIGHENGOWER HAVE GOOD TEAM IN "B" DIVISION

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The policy of advice given to young and coming players by older hands is one that has in the past been sadly neglected. This is to be deplored, as club reputations round, for a total win of 14 shots.

### Available Players

The "C" and "D" team players will be selected from the following: A. B. Hamson, E. Zimmern, G. Choa, Leo Choa, A. R. H. Esmail, C. E. Abbas, Dr. Karanjia, Dr. Lam, H. N. Chung, A. Kit-chell, T. L. Locke, H. S. Rathour, N. Broadbridge, D. Hung, S. A. Broadbridge, A. Hung, J. Choa, O. Sadick, S. A. Cusumbhoy, and W. L. Rapley.

The C. C. C. annual tournaments are now in progress, and although in some events the potential winner or winners stand out most prominently, some very interesting matches are sure to materialise.

No seeding of players in the Club Championship has found the best talent bracketed in the lower half of the draw. H. D. Rumjahn, holder of the title, will meet J. W. Leonard in the First Round. It is unfortunate for the latter player, who has, in the past, figured prominently in this competition, as I feel assured that Rumjahn will win the title.

but in doing so he will have to give of his best to beat Hachuma, and undoubtedly the winner of this match will gain the coveted title. A. V. Gosano, Club de Recreio singles and doubles champion, will, on present form, be the most likely finalist in the top bracket.

### Only Four Pairs

Four pairs will contest the Club doubles championship. E. and F. R. Zimmern will meet Leonard and Hachuma, while H. D. Rumjahn and W. J. Howard will oppose A. V. Gosano and E. Choa. Leonard and Hachuma, holders, will have an easy passage to the finals, and I think Howard and Rumjahn will meet the holders in the last stage. The outcome of this match appears to be an open affair, although I consider that the present champions will repeat last year's win. As a doubles combination, Leonard and Hachuma have done well and their play now shows good understanding. Rumjahn's doubles play is too well-known to comment upon, but can Howard give him the necessary support to carry them through to a win?

### G. Choa's Test

Out of the 19 entries for the singles handicap, G. Choa stands out as the most probable winner. In this competition we shall be able to judge how much this player has improved.

In the doubles handicap Hachuma and Howard are partners once again. Last year they won this event and, although their handicap has been raised to 40, they should experience little

## SENSATION IN AUSTRALIAN RANKING LIST

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The bracketing of Harry Hopman and John Bromwich in third place, above Vivian McGrath, of the Davis Cup team, who is fifth, is an interesting phase of the list, which was announced by the Australian Lawn Tennis Association last night.

### Women Ranking

Miss Thelma Coyne, the national junior champion, and holder of the Victorian and New South Wales titles, has been given the honour of sharing first place in the women's ranking with the national champion, Miss Joan Hartigan.

Miss Nancy Wynne, the brilliant young Victorian, has advanced from ninth to third place, and the Victorians, Mrs. H. Hopman and Miss May Blick, are graded fourth and fifth respectively.

The lists were compiled by the ranking committee, consisting of Messrs. J. Clemenger, W. S. Sproule, and W. H. Walker, for the year ended March 31.

## BRITISH WOMEN'S GOLF TITLE

### Strong Challenge From America

The Women's Open Golf Championship commences at Southport to-day, and will this year be featured by the challenge of Mrs. Glenna Collet Vare, the American champion, who has failed on five previous occasions to secure this much coveted title, at present held by Miss Wanda Morgan, captain of the British Curtis Cup team.

Among the other players who will probably be participating are Mrs. Garron, holder of the English Native title, Miss Patty Berg (U.S.), one of America's coming golf champions, Miss Pam Barton, who very nearly won the title last year, and other members of the British and American Curtis Cup teams.

difficulty in reaching the Final once again.

In the other bracket, H. D. Rumjahn and A. Kitchell, with an owe 40 handicap, appear to be the likely finalists, and it will furnish the best match of the tournament if these players should meet.

Last year's winners of the Mixed Doubles Handicap, H. D. Rumjahn and Miss R. Rumjahn, are not entered as a team, H. D. having withdrawn from the competition. Miss Rumjahn will partner C. Choa.

J. W. Howard and Mrs. Litton will meet R. Choa and Miss Perry, and the winner of this match will probably enter the Final. The most likely winners are A. V. Gosano and Miss Cissy Botelho. Both these players are rated best in Club de Recreio circles.

## LEAGUE PROSPECTS REVIEWED

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His weakness is volleying, but powerful forehand and backhand drives make him a dangerous opponent, especially when backed up by a reliable net player.

Of the other clubs, the Hong Kong Cricket Club, on paper, do not appear formidable. Like most clubs their pairings have not yet been decided upon, but their best available resources are: T. A. Pearce, H. J. Armstrong, J. F. C. Smalley, A. D. Humphreys, H. Owen Hughes, G. W. Sewell, P. H. Scoones, B. O'M. MacDougall, T. A. Pearce will captain the side, and a keener player on the court and a more energetic organiser off the court would be difficult to find. Of late, he has shown improvement in his game generally, and displays signs of still being able to raise his standard higher, so that with youth in his favour he will prove a very useful League player. A little restraint in his methods of attack will save himself many points lost through taking big risks.

Of the others, H. Owen Hughes should figure prominently. He has played for the Cricket Club first team for many years now, and helped the club to win the Shield in 1929. MacDougall will also strengthen the side somewhat, as his steady type of play produces good results in the League.

### South China Promoted

South China are again back in this division with the team that won the "B" Shield last year. They have available five members of that side, Wong Kam-hay, who with Wong Fuk-nam won all three sets in the decisive match last season, being now in Shanghai. The five others are Ip Cho-bong, Ho Wai-hing, Lau Kwai-fan, Ho Hing-kan and Wong Fuk-nam. Li Woon-tsoi and Chan So will supplement the team.

Ip Cho-bong is a good all-round doubles player, possessing a variety of strokes, the strongest of which is his volley, while his service and smash are also useful and accurate. He lacks stamina, however. Ip is likely to partner Lau Kwai-fan, who is a steady and reliable player, especially when it comes to tight pinches.

though his standard of play is not high. Lau partnered Wong Fuk-nam in the recent championships, and the pair fully extended in Tak-cheuk and Lu Tak-lam. Wong is a tenacious player who stiffens his defence under pressure. He has to his credit a victory over S. E. Green in 1933, the last occasion when the ex-champion competed in the Colony Championships. Ho Wai-hing, the fifth member of last year's side, has had considerable League experience, and is also a good all rounder.

### The Newcomers

Of the newcomers, Li Woon-tsoi has seen good class tennis and learned a considerable amount in America. He plays well, but, unfortunately, due to a lack of practice, his play is inconsistent. Chan So, the former Interport soccer star, has opposed all the best players in the "A" Division over many years, while his past experience should prove invaluable to him.

Recreio are putting forward the same players this year. J. Tavaras is at present away, but will be returning shortly, when he will certainly strengthen the Portuguese. He is a polished player who is better suited to doubles play.

Their three pairs last year were: C. A. Barretto and A. V. Gosano, H. A. Barros and F. J. Remedios, J. J. Goncalves and A. V. Remedios, with the last named pair proving the strongest.

### Promising Goncalves

Goncalves is capable of developing into a fine player and should concentrate more on exploiting his strokes and improving his anticipation. A. V. Remedios, his partner, is reliable at the net and the two show good understanding together. A. V. Gosano, the well-known footballer, and their best singles player, possesses height, reach, stamina and a variety of useful strokes. He is, therefore, a dangerous opponent when in form, but still has to learn the finer points of doubles play.

The Portuguese are the most youthful side in this division and, with a little more seriousness and earnestness in their game, they should be able to become quite

a formidable team.

For the Indians, the Rumjahn cousins are again the mainstays. Whether the cousins' eclipse, in the championships is permanent or temporary remains to be seen, but it is significant indeed.

### Not At Full Strength

The Indians have promoted O. Hoosen, of whom much is expected, while A. H. Madar is equally reliable, having been successfully paired with H. D. Rumjahn last year. I. A. M. Razack will help the side this season, and, with S. A. Ismail, A. R. Minu, and A. K. Sufiad to select from, the Soorkunpoo Club are fielding their strongest team since 1931.

The Chinese Recreation Club will not be at full strength. They will miss the services of Ho Kailau and Lee Wai-tong, members of last year's winning team, who will be hard to replace. Therefore, despite the Tsuis' supremacy, they may prove to be a weaker side this year. W. C. Hung will captain the side, and as he is well acquainted with League competitions, he should be able to form a team capable of resisting the strong challenge threatened by other clubs. Of the many to fill positions in the side Hung, Tsui brothers, Wong Siu-wing, Lai, Kwong-tsun, Paul Kong, Lu Tak-cheuk and Luk Ding-cheung are prominent.

### U.S.R.C. Prospects

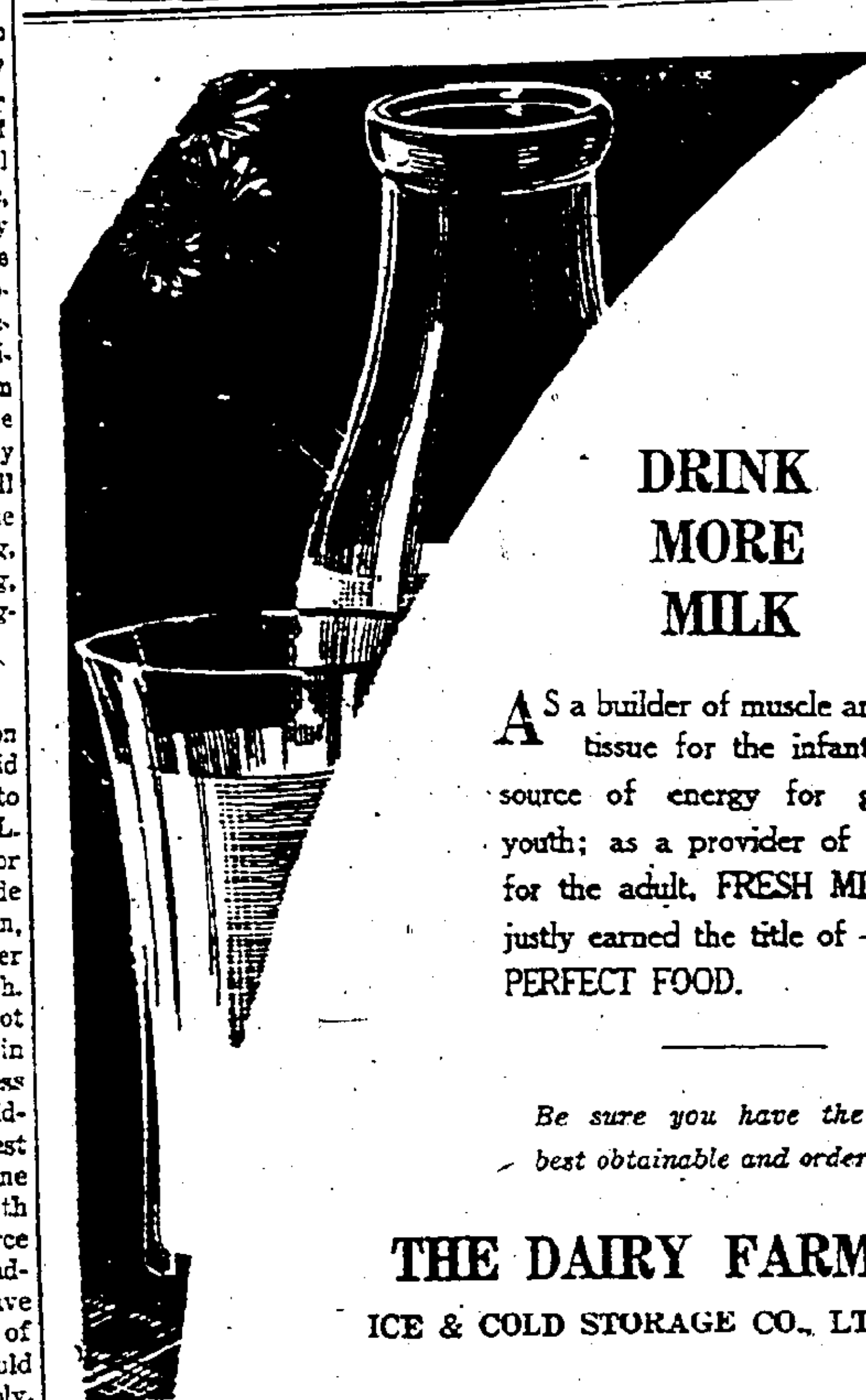
The United Services Recreation Club are also making a bold bid for honours. It is interesting to note that L. Goldman and A. L. Sullivan will turn out regularly for them, while other players include Capt. Milne, Major Withington, Wing-Comdr. Bishop, Col. Brewer Comdr. Conway and Capt. Walsh. Like other clubs, they have not selected their partnerships, but in the first two named they possess excellent doubles players. Goldman himself is one of the best doubles players locally. His fine exhibition in partnership with Andrews last month was a source of gratification to his many admirers, and, as he seems to have struck form, much is expected of him this season. Sullivan should strengthen the side considerably, and although of late showing signs of breaking down under consistent attack, he is bound to do better in the League because of the respite enjoyed between sets.

Capt. Milne, who is at present in Tientsin but expected back shortly, showed up sufficiently in the League. His retrieving powers are remarkable, and it is this asset that will carry him through successfully in the inter-club matches. Major Withington has had considerable experience locally, and will undoubtedly feature prominently.



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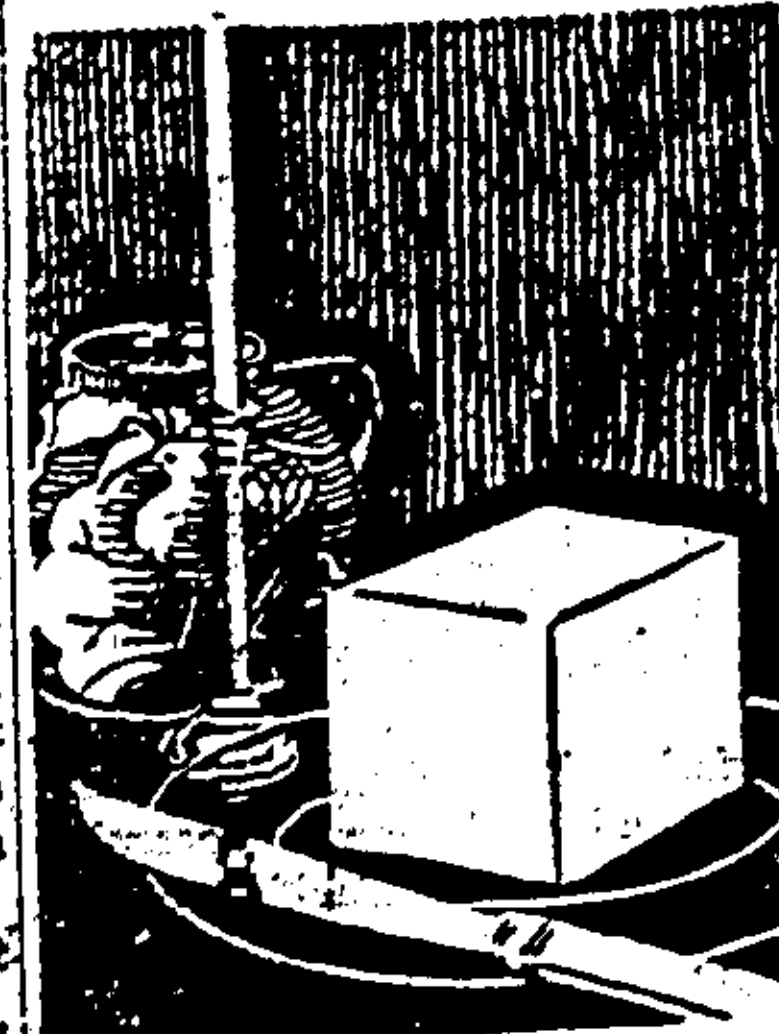
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## BRIDGE NOTES

## TOO MANY SIGNALS

By Ely Culbertson

Whenever I have a bridge partner of less than expert calibre, before a bid is made or a card is played, I figuratively get down on my knees with the urgent plea: "Partner, will you do me one little favour? Please don't signal with high cards!"

I change the wording to meet individual temperaments. At times, with the more adamant type of partner, I become positively wheedling.

Of course, I realise that in making this request I am leaning over backward. I should prefer to ask that come-on signals be used only with great discretion. I am well aware that occasionally a high-card signal is vital to proper defence, but it has been my bitter experience that average, and lesser, players simply cannot exercise the aforesaid discretion. Hence my plea for total abstinence.

Signalling by means of discards or follow-suit cards is another requiring more knowledge and greater delicacy than any other department of bridge.

Not one player in a thousand knows when to give a positive and when a negative signal. Fortunately, in almost every situation, the proper lead—and the proper cards to conserve—are manifest from consideration of the bidding, the opening lead, and the exposed dummy. This being so, signals almost always are merely redundant.

In to-day's hand North was pretty sure that his major suit in clubs should be indicated to his partner. He succeeded only in "taking the lead out of the hand" for declarer.

South, dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH		EAST	
S. 9876		S. K 10 5 2	
H. 10 8 4		H. A 7 2	
D. A		D. Q 9 8 3	
C. A Q 9 5 3		C. 10 8	
SOUTH		WEST	
S. Q J 3		S. K 10 5 2	
H. Q 9 6 5		H. A 7 2	
D. 6 2		D. Q 9 8 3	
C. 7 6 4 2		C. 10 8	

The bidding:  
West North East  
3D Pass 3D (final bid)  
1D Pass 1S  
North opened the nine of spades, which was won by declarer's ace. A trump forced dummy's ace, and another was won by dummy's king. Now a low spade from dummy, ruffed by West, established the ten as the high card in the suit. Dummy was put in the lead with a trump, and he seized the opportunity to lead the nine of clubs—an out signal. The declarer was steered on the proper line—he discarded a club on the ten and promptly took heart finesse to his king. Without North's signal, right well have chosen to lead a heart, obviating a loser, and to have tried the trick in clubs.

## JOHN BRIGADE

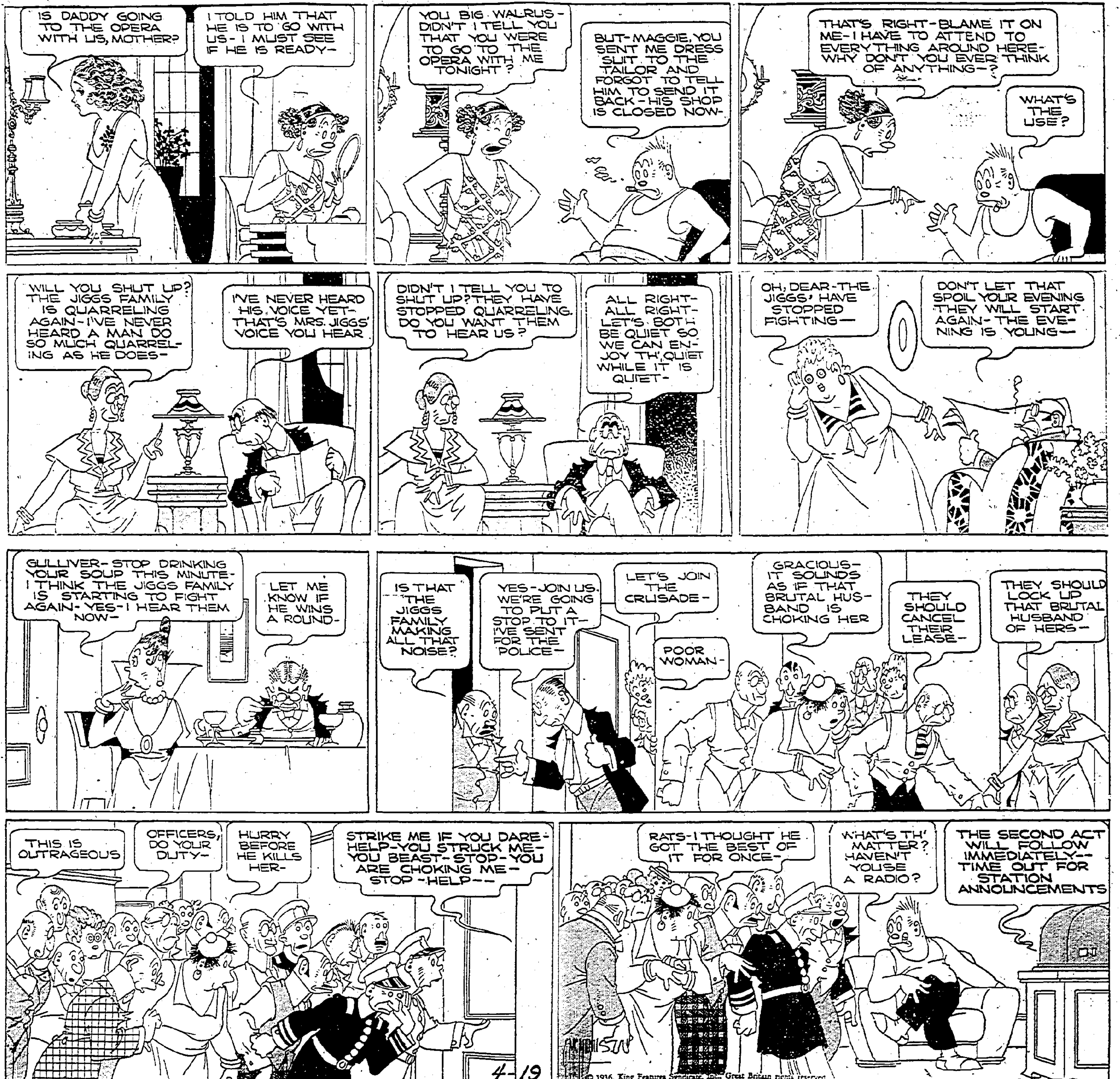
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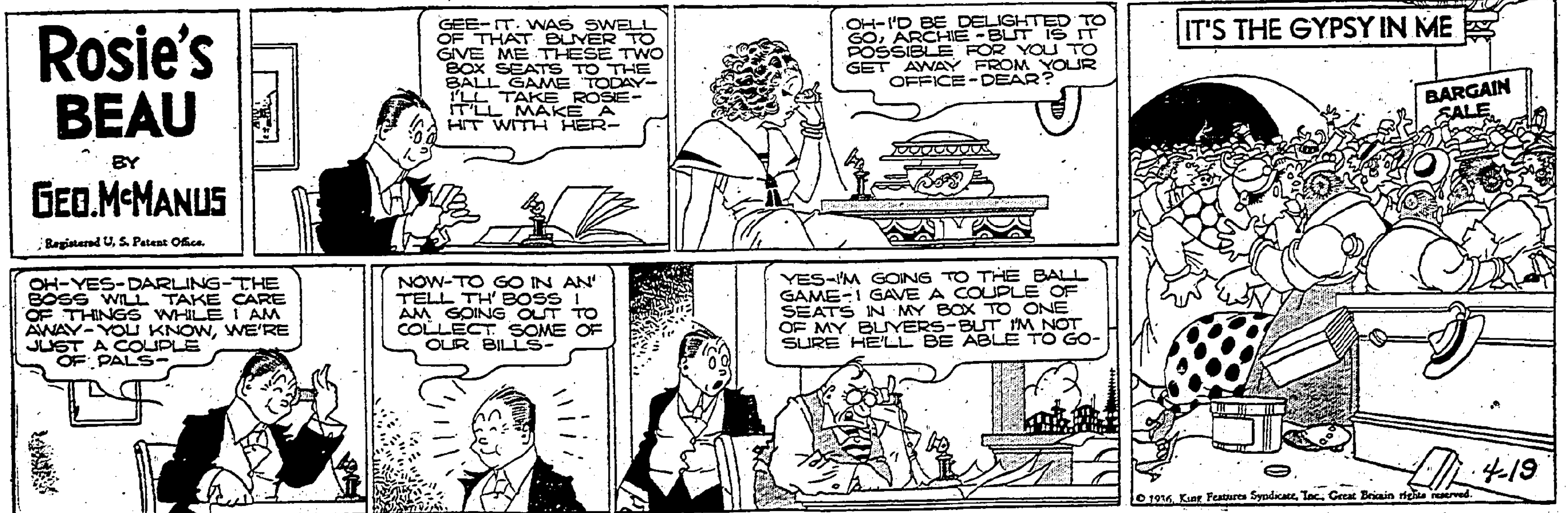
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**"King Of Paris"**

Sir Cedric Hardwicke portrays the egotistical man of the theatre in his most polished, subdued manner. One has to be an admirer of this English actor to enjoy this particular film, but there is hardly one more suited to portray the conceited man Max Till, "King" of the Paris Theatre, whose lack of human feeling causes his wife and then his star to leave him—finding him so intolerable—than this famous stage actor.

This is essentially a one-man study with the interest mainly concentrated on the star, and is entertainment value for those who are prepared to think things out for themselves. Marie Glory as the Russian actress Maika acquits herself as well as she can with most of the limelight on Sir Cedric. Old theatre-goers will recall Phyllis Monkman. Here she is making a film debut. Others in the cast are Joan Maude, John Deverell, O. B. Clarence and Lydia Sherwood. This British and Dominion picture will show at the King's.

**Majestic**

Joe E. Brown is deservedly one of the most popular comedians on the screen to-day. In "Alibi Ike" he shines as a famous baseball player who goes through life making excuses, which lands him in considerable trouble when he even apologises for being in love. There is a full quota of excitement in the baseball games, with splendid support from William Frawley, Olivia de Havilland, Ruth Donnelly, Lots of laughs.

Eugene O'Neill's famous stage play "Ah Wilderness" is next on the list. Just a slice of small-town American life in the early nineties, acted with considerable charm by Lionel Barrymore and Eric Linden. Wallace Deery overacts, but the rest of the cast ensure a thoroughly satisfactory entertainment.

A typical Cecil B. de Mille "epic," "The Crusades," follows. Henry Wilcoxon, Loretta Young, Ian Keith, C. Henry Gordon, Joseph Schildkraut and hundreds more present this gorgeously-mounted historical picture with the desired effect. Certainly a picture to be seen, if you can take a de Mille show at its face-value. "The Three Musketeers" recalls the elder Fairbanks, and this time brings a new actor from Broadway, Walter Abel. Margot Graham, Heather Angel, Paul Lukas, Ralph Forbes and many more in this colourful drama. All due to the Majestic, and guaranteed to suit all tastes.

**Oriental**

Richard Barthelmess, supported by a specially fine cast, in "Four Hours to Kill." The direction of this "Grand Hotel" type of story by Mitchell Leisen is worthy of mentioning. Barthelmess as unwittingly charges the course of half-a-dozen lives while handcuffed to his captor, gives a memorable performance.



Kay Francis and George Brent win not only each other's hearts, but the hearts of all who follow their stirring adventures and thrilling romance in Warner Bros. new hit, "The Goose and the Gander," now playing at the Star Theatre.



Shirley Temple and Buddy Ebsen are seen here in a scene from "Captain January," which will be shown at the King's and Alhambra Theatres to-morrow.

**SHORTS SHOTS**

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Katharine Hepburn has to learn to ride side-saddle in her forthcoming picture, "Mary of Scotland," in which she co-stars with Fredric March.

Robert Greig, who is one of the most popular "butlers" on the screen, is an Australian by birth, who went to Hollywood after a successful stage career in London and on Broadway.

formance. Certainly advised if you are out for perfect acting and a thrilling evening.

"Thanks a Million," starring Dick Powell, Anne Dvorak, Fred Allen, Patsy Kelly, Alan Dinehart and Raymond Walburn, is a musical with an unusual story. A typical performance from Dick, a very American story, but worth-while entertainment.

Next we have Margaret Lindsay and Warren William in "The Case of the Curious Bride," another of those interesting series wherein famous lawyer-detective "Perry Mason" unravels a murder. Allen Christians, William Frawley, Inez Jenkins, Claire Dodd, Donald Courtney, Grant Withers and Har- Woods and others do good work. Notice Errol Flynn in a small role. (Oriental).

**Star, Kowloon**

A most amusing, exciting and well-acted film is "The Goose and the Gander." Kay Francis is a pure delight as wife No. 1, who turns the tables on wife No. 2 (Genevieve Tobin). George Brent, Ralph Forbes, John Eldridge and Claire Dodd lend sound support. Specially advised, as it is one of the best the Francis-Brent team have given us.

Followed by Sylvia Sydney, Melvyn Douglas and the newcomer Allan Baxter in "Mary Burns, Fugitive." Well acted, but the most exciting incidents have been cut by the local censor, so that the story is incredible. Watch Brian Donlevy in a "bit." The principals all do splendid work and the film is definitely worth seeing.

"Ship Cafe" was the last film made in Hollywood by Carl Brisson, and it is not the type of character in which his admirers like to see him. He is called upon to do more acting than singing, in one of those "misunderstanding

Laurel and Hardy will play dual roles in their newest full-length release, "Our Relations." Betty, the wife of Ted Healey has one of the chief parts.

Joan, sister of Constance Bennett, will shortly leave for England to make films there. Husband scenario-writer Gene Markey accompanies her.

Walter Connolly has been added to the M.G.M. cast of "Good Earth" in which Paul Muni and Luise Rainer have the leads.

Irving Thalberg will produce "Que Vadis," and the cast will be a specially strong one, but no names are divulged as yet.

Elizabeth Bergner will go to the United Artists' studio after she has finished a London appearance on the stage in Barrie's "The Boy David."

James Stewart, one of the screen's most recent discoveries, will play opposite Wendy Barrie in "Speed."

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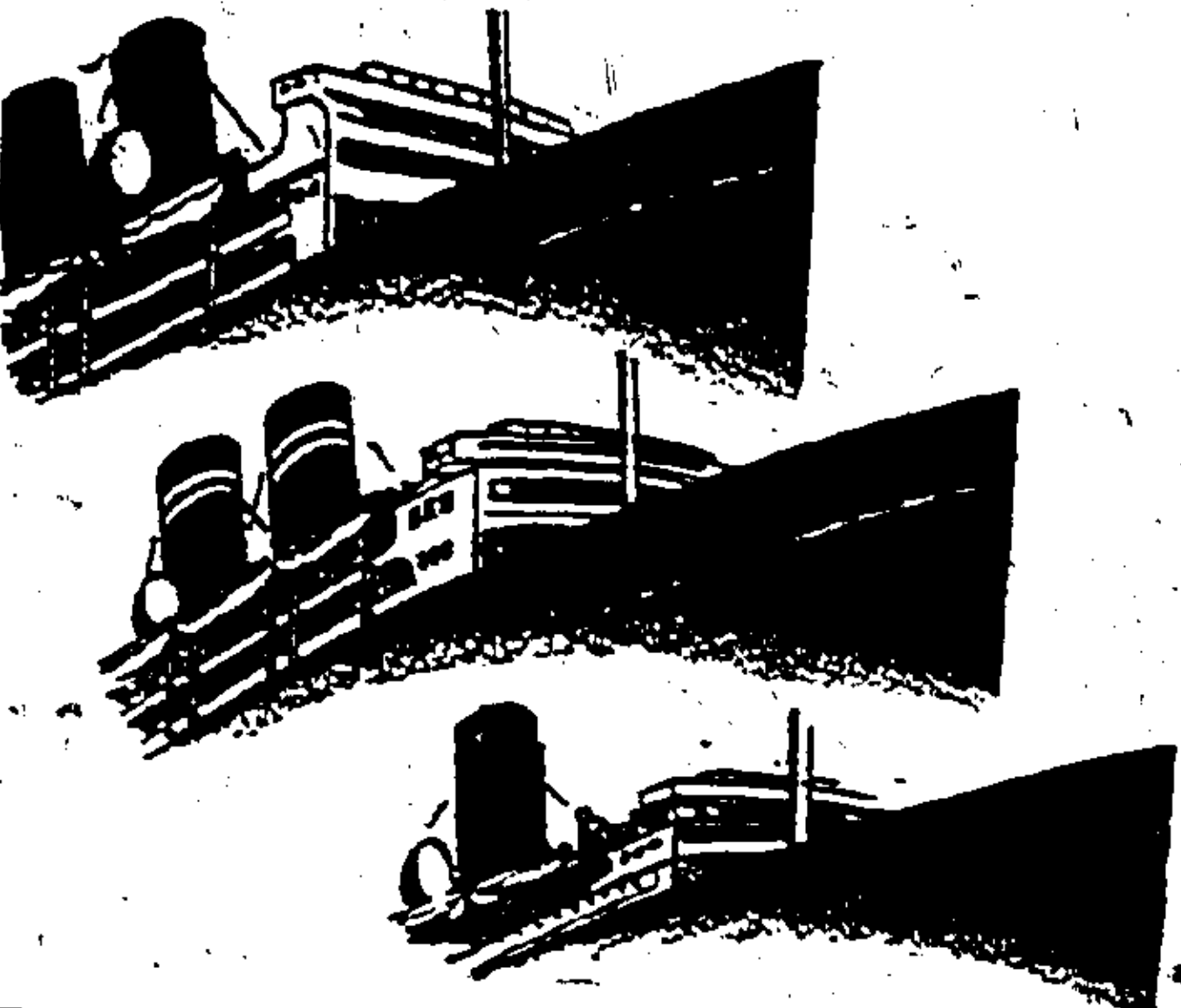
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Eddie Harkness and his Orchestra from Studio

"New Books Worth Reading" 12.30-2.15 p.m. — European Programme.

12.30 p.m.—A Variety Concert.

1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Cinema Organ Solos by Reginald Dixon.

1.15 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra Luncheon Programme.

1.30 p.m.—Renter Press Bulletins, Rugby Press News, Local: Weather forecast, time and announcements.

1.40 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra Luncheon Programme.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.

2.7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7-11 p.m.—European Programme.

7 p.m.—A Light Concert.

8 p.m.—Come Back to Sorrento

Pianoforte Solo—Charles Kullman (Tenor).

Poissons D'Or (Debussy)

Flute Solo—Ricardo Vines.

Carmen—Fantasy. Marcel Moyse.

Song—Homing (Del Rio)

Song—Down in Demerara (Traditional)

Raymond Newell (Baritone) and the B.B.C. Male Chorus.

Cello Solo—A La Guitare (Nolck)

Song—Casanova—"The Memory of a Kiss" (J. Strauss)

Instrumental—Fete Champetre—Poika

Song—Beautiful Garden of Roses

7.30 p.m.—A Relay from Daventry. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.

7.50 p.m.—From the Studio.

"New Books Worth Reading" by D.E.A.

8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report, Stock Quotations and Announcements.

8.05 p.m.—George Scott-Wood Piano-Accordion.

1. In a Little Gipsy Tea Room.

2. Lulu's back in town.

3. Stars and Stripes for Ever—March.

4. The Whistler and his Dog.

5. Top Hat—Selection.

6. The Big Broadcast of 1936—Selection.

8.25 p.m.—Song Hits from Talkies.

1. "The King of Burlesque" Selection.

2. At the Odish Ball

3. Early Bird "Captain January."

8.45 p.m.—Concert Waltzes.

My Darling ("The Gipsy Baron") (J. Strauss)

Roses of the South (J. Strauss)

9 p.m.—A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter) and Announcements.

9.20 p.m.—A Classical Programme.

Choral—Ave Verum Corpus (Mozart)

Berlin Children's Mozart Choir.

Aria—Within these sacred Walls ("The Magic Flute") (Mozart)

Symphony No. 5 in C Minor, Op. 67 (Beethoven)

Royal Albert Hall Orchestra, conducted by Sir Landon Ronald.

10 p.m.—Big Ben from Daventry.

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11 p.m.—Close Down.

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It has been decided to have the ship thrown open for the inspection of shippers and others from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Kowloon Wharf to-day.

Steam-launches conveying visitors will run between Blake Pier and the ship every half hour, commencing from 3.30 p.m.

## THE OTHER BED

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My first thought was that my wife had arrived in the early hours and turned in without disturbing me. It was the sort of thing she would have done. I reached across the space intervening and drew back the coverlet. The woman's face on which I gazed was not my wife's!

It was an almighty shock. I can tell you. I was stunned, staggered, bewildered. A dozen questions came tumbling into my mind.

## POPULATION OF FRANCE

Discouraging Figures Disclosed

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Paris, Today.—The grave disquietude which has been gaining ground in France steadily because of the unsatisfactory fluctuation of population, has risen considerably because of the statistics just published by the Premier's office for 1934 and 1935. The figures for 1935 are still subject to alternations, but the changes, if any, would not affect the main conclusion to which these figures lead.

The number of marriages declined from 298,192 in 1934, to 289,463 in 1935, while the births declined from 677,355 in 1934, to 638,881 in 1935, that in 38,484 less, while deaths increased from 634,525 in 1934, to 658,357 in 1935, an increase of 23,832.

As a great national campaign is in process to propagate larger families, the figures prove exceedingly discouraging.—Trans-Ocean Service.

## CRUSADE AGAINST TIPPING

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The French and the Italians have a better way. At the end of the voyage the passenger, when paying his account for drinks and extras, gives a lump sum to the chief steward, which covers all claims for service. There is an unwritten, fixed minimum for every port, which is never more, and usually less, than the minimum he would pay in a ship where the saloon staff were dealt with piecemeal. If the passenger thinks he has had special attention he gives more. But in no case is he expected to tip individually, and the stewards never indicate by the slightest sign that they desire it.

In Italian Liners  
In the Italian liners the gratuity is entered in a book by the passenger, in the presence of a representative of the staff. India is the worst country for tipping I have visited. The native hotel servants of this generation have been spoiled by foreign tourists, and they rather like flies when an unfortunate traveller is about to leave.

The Chinese are better: you will find your stay in a European-managed hotel made pleasant by the judicious expenditure of a few silver dollars, but they are not rapacious, and never invent services for which you have no need.

Tipping has undergone a curious transformation in Japan. Formerly, if you stayed at a provincial hotel, the bill would be comparatively small but the landlord would expect a "present" much greater than the amount charged.

"Lose Dignity"

To-day, the smiling waiters and room-boys in modern cities like Tokyo and Yokohama are pleased to receive a modest sum in recognition of their services, but it is never asked for, even by such indirect though compelling methods as we know in England. I have had to leave hurriedly without being able to find the servants I wanted to tip, and on returning weeks later have been received with the same unfeeling courtesy. I have wondered at this, and one day I asked why they did not arrange for someone to take the money I thought due to them. The answer was unexpected.

"We would lose dignity if we showed that we expected the honourable guest to give us money."

Who was the woman? How had she got into the room? Was it an attempt to compromise me? And so on.

Her eyes puzzled me. They were wide open and set in a stony stare. The pupils were distended. I touched her cheek. It was dry and icy cold, and chalky white. The lips were colourless.

Getting out of bed, I cautiously rolled back the coverlet and found that she was lying on top of the counterpane in a black evening frock. A pair of black satin shoes lay on the floor.

I bent over her. She was not breathing. I felt her pulse. There was not the flutter of a beat. This woman, this utter stranger, was dead in my room!

Remember, I was young then. Young and inexperienced. I suppose I should behave differently now. I suppose I should ring for the night porter and send him for the manager.

But then I could think only of the scandal that would ensue were that woman to be found dead in the bed intended for my wife. I thought of my young wife and her love for and trust in me. Would her affection, her faith, survive such a test? Was it fair that she should be faced with such an ordeal?

I thought of the inquiry, of the mob pointing their beasty fingers at me. I thought of the papers, of the fifty innuendoes that would sprinkle their columns. I thought of my friends turning away from me in disgust. I thought of the charge of murder that might well be the outcome of the affair.

Pacing the room, I tried to make up my mind what to do. I looked at my watch. Only ten minutes had elapsed since. I had awoken with that strange premonition of something being wrong.

I must get rid of the body, I decided. Get it out of the room. I concealed it with the coverlet, opened the door, and peered up and down the corridor.

There was no one about. It was still with the brooding stillness that reigns over the upper regions of an hotel before dawn. Pendent globes glowed wanly here and there. Boots and shoes, put out to clean, marched away to right and left.

A bathroom just along the corridor solved the problem. I tiptoed to it and looked in. It was empty. Leaving the door ajar, I made sure that the passages intersecting the corridor on the right and left were deserted. There was a risk, you see, that a "boots" might surprise me.

I crept back to the bedroom, picked up the shoes, and carried the slight body of the woman to the bathroom. I lowered her into the bath, put down the shoes and, shutting the door, returned to my room.

After pausing inside to regain my breath and pull myself together, I made a thorough search lest there was something lying about to betray her presence. But there was nothing.

Then I tidied the bed, turned back the coverlet, switched off the light, and slid in between my own cold sheets. It was just ten to five.

I lay awake till the maid came with a cup of tea at seven. There was nothing in her manner to disturb me. At half-past she informed me that my bath was ready and, to my dismay, indicated the bathroom along the corridor.

Not wishing to make her suspicious, I entered. The body had been removed. I don't mind admitting that I missed my bath that morning.

The rest is mystery as far as I'm concerned (Denver concluded). I don't know how she got into my room. I don't know how she died. I don't know who she was. I don't know what happened after I placed her in the bath.

No doubt the business was hushed up.

I didn't make any inquiries, for obvious reasons. When my wife arrived I made an excuse and transferred to another hotel.

This is the first occasion I've told the story to anyone.

Fullerton spoke from the shadows. "So you put her in the bath," he drawled.

All eyes fixed on his dark, sardonic visage.

"What—what do you mean?" Denver blurted out.

"I suggested that one of us might be able to solve the mystery for you," Fullerton went on deliberately, as if he were enjoying the situation. "It seems that I'm to spend the night in town and

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in that er—happy position. You occupied Room 59, I think, Denver?

"Am I likely to forget it?" But—

"Come on, cut the candle—" "All right, Risby. All right."

Fullerton chuckled. "I'm coming to them now."

"As it happened, I was staying at the hotel that night. Coincidence, eh? But, then, coincidence is about the commonest phenomenon there is. You encounter it every day."

"I didn't know friend Denver in those times. Our paths did not cross till four or five years later."

"Well, I'm an early riser. Even when I'm in town I like a walk before breakfast. That morning was no exception to my rule. My travelling alarm-clock aroused me at quarter to six, and I sprang straight out of bed like the Spartan I am."

"I went to the bathroom. I latched the door, dropped my gear on a chair and crossed to the taps. Lying in the bath was a girl in a black evening frock."

"You could've knocked me down with the proverbial feather. All that I could do for a while was to stare and gape."

"She was a lovely creature, Denver, but I suppose you weren't in a state to admire. Suddenly she moved."

"Good Lord!" Denver ejaculated.

"Yes, she was alive, but moribund. I bent and lifted her out and laid her on a heap of towels. I realised that it was not a case for ringing bells and raising merry hell."

"I nipped back to my room, dug out a flask of brandy, and made her sip some of the spirit. Then I rubbed her wrists and ankles till presently she was able to sit up and show some interest in life."

"She was scared and dismayed, of course, at finding herself in such circumstances. She was horrified and bewildered when I explained how I had come to discover her."

"I gave her another draught of brandy and she began to tell me about herself. She had come up to London on the previous day on a shopping expedition, intending to spend the night in town and

return home on the following evening. She booked a room at the hotel."

"That night she joined a party of friends. A rather bohemian crowd."

"She and a man she had never met before became separated from the others."

"This chap took her to some dubious resort off the Tottenham Court Road, and there, I take it, he slipped some kind of dope into her wine."

"She was still in sufficient



